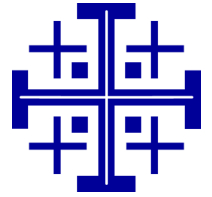




Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 12, 2021

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

HOME COMING

Prelude: Water Music

THE BRASS QUARTET

George Frideric Handel, arr. Schroeder

Greeting and Invitation to Intentional Silence

Opening Hymn 594: “God of grace and god of glory”

found in The Hymnal 1982

Cum Rhondda

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| 1 God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy power;
crown thine ancient Church’s story;
bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour. | 3 Cure thy children’s warring madness,
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom’s goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom’s goal. |
| 2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise:
grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days. | 4 Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore;
let the gift of thy salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving thee whom we adore,
serving thee whom we adore. |

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

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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.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens -- wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

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

Psalm 116:1-8 *Dilexi, quoniam*

- 1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.
- 2 The cords of death entangled me;
the grip of the grave took hold of me; *
I came to grief and sorrow.
- 3 Then I called upon the Name of the Lord: *
"O Lord, I pray you, save my life."
- 4 Gracious is the Lord and righteous; *
our God is full of compassion.
- 5 The Lord watches over the innocent; *
I was brought very low, and he helped me.
- 6 Turn again to your rest, O my soul, *
for the Lord has treated you well.
- 7 For you have rescued my life from death, *
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling.
- 8 I will walk in the presence of the Lord *
in the land of the living.

The Epistle: James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue -- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Sequence Hymn 490: "I want to walk as a child of the light" *found in The Hymnal 1982*

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- 1 I want to walk as a child of the light, I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world; the star of my life is Jesus.
*In him there is no darkness at all, the night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God; shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*
- 2 I want to see the brightness of God; I want to look at Jesus.
Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.
*In him there is no darkness at all, the night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God; shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*
- 3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ; I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.
*In him there is no darkness at all, the night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God; shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*

The Holy Gospel: Mark 8:27-38

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

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

The Gospel of the Lord
People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

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

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.*

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

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

Prayer of Farewell for long-time parishioners **Marcia MacDonald** and her daughter **Elsbeth.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory: “Draw Us in the Spirit’s tether”

Harold Friedell

The Immanuel Choir

Draw us in the Spirit's tether;
For when humbly, in thy name,
Two or three are met together,
Thou art in the midst of them:
Alleluya! Alleluya!
Touch we now thy garment's hem.
As the brethren used to gather
In the name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God the Father
Break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluya! Alleluya!
So knit Thou our friendship up.

*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)

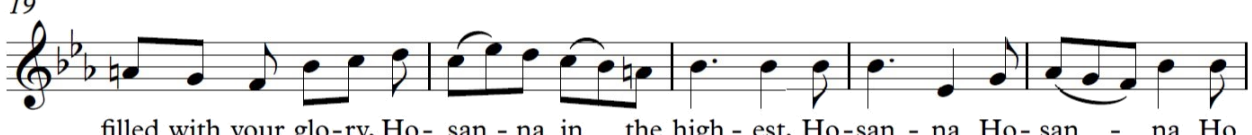
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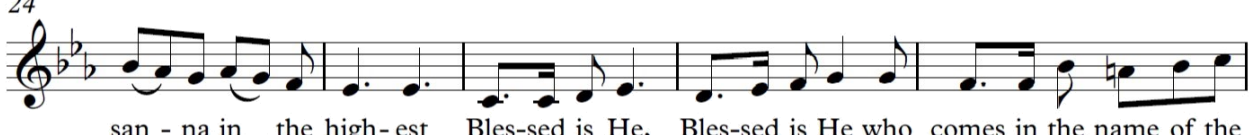
Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly Lord God of pow-er and might Hea-ven and Earth are

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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)

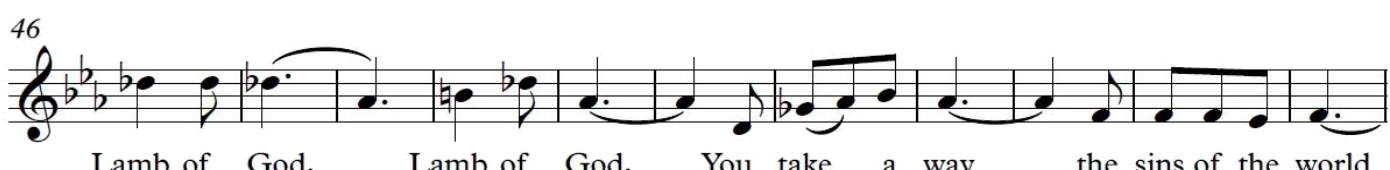
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Lamb of God, Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world

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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.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

The Immanuel Choir

Communion Anthem: "Do not be afraid"

Philip W.J. Stopford

Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you.
I have called you by your name; you are mine.

When the fear of loneliness is looming,
then remember I am at your side.

When you walk through the waters, I'll be with you;
you will never sink beneath the waves.
When the fire is burning all around you,
you will never be consumed by the flames.

When you dwell in the exile of a stranger,
remember you are precious in my eyes.
You are mine, O my child, I am your Father,
and I love you with a perfect love.

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.

THE BRASS QUARTET

John Armstrong, trumpet

Bryan Bourne, trombone

Karl Hovey, tuba

Andy Schuller, trumpet

O God Beyond All Praising

Gustav Holst

Communion Hymn 60: “O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder”

Swedish Folk Melody

from the hymnal Lift Every Voice and Sing II

- 1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow’r throughout the universe displayed.
*Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!*
- 2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.
*Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!*
- 3 And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
Send him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.
*Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!*
- 4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God how great thou art.
*Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!*

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.***

1 I am the bread of life:
they who come to me shall not hunger:
they who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me
unless the Father draw them.
*And I will raise them up,
and I will raise them up,
and I will raise them up on the last day!*

2 The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
and they who eat of this bread,
they shall live forever,
they shall live forever.
*And I will raise them up,
and I will raise them up,
and I will raise them up on the last day!*

5 Yes, Lord, we believe
that you are the Christ,
the Son of God
who has come
into the world.
*Yes, I will raise them up,
and I will raise them up,
and I will raise them up on the last day!*

3 Unless you eat
of the Flesh of the Son of Man
and drink of his Blood,
you shall not have life within you,
you shall not have life within you.
*And I will raise them up,
and I will raise them up,
and I will raise them up on the last day!*

4 I am the resurrection,
I am the life.
They who believe in me,
even if they die,
they shall live forever.
*And I will raise them up,
and I will raise them up,
and I will raise them up on the last day!*

The Blessing

The Dismissal

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

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

Postlude: Canzona per sonare No. 2

THE BRASS QUARTET

Giovanni Gabrieli, arr. King

SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST: ***Readers:*** Karen Besser, Eileen Monnin-Kirby

Intercessor: Sanjiv Augustine

Ushers: TBD

Musicians: John Armstrong, trumpet; Bryan Bourne, trombone;

Karl Hovey, tuba; Andy Schuller, trumpet; The Immanuel Choir, Dr. Jane Tavernier

Audio-Visual: John Bednar, Doug Onley, Sydney Onley

Flower Guild: Sarah Glassco

Coffee Hour Host: TBD

Vestry Greeter and Counter: Kristi Kubista-Hovis

Celebrant: The Rev. Sam Sheridan.

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.



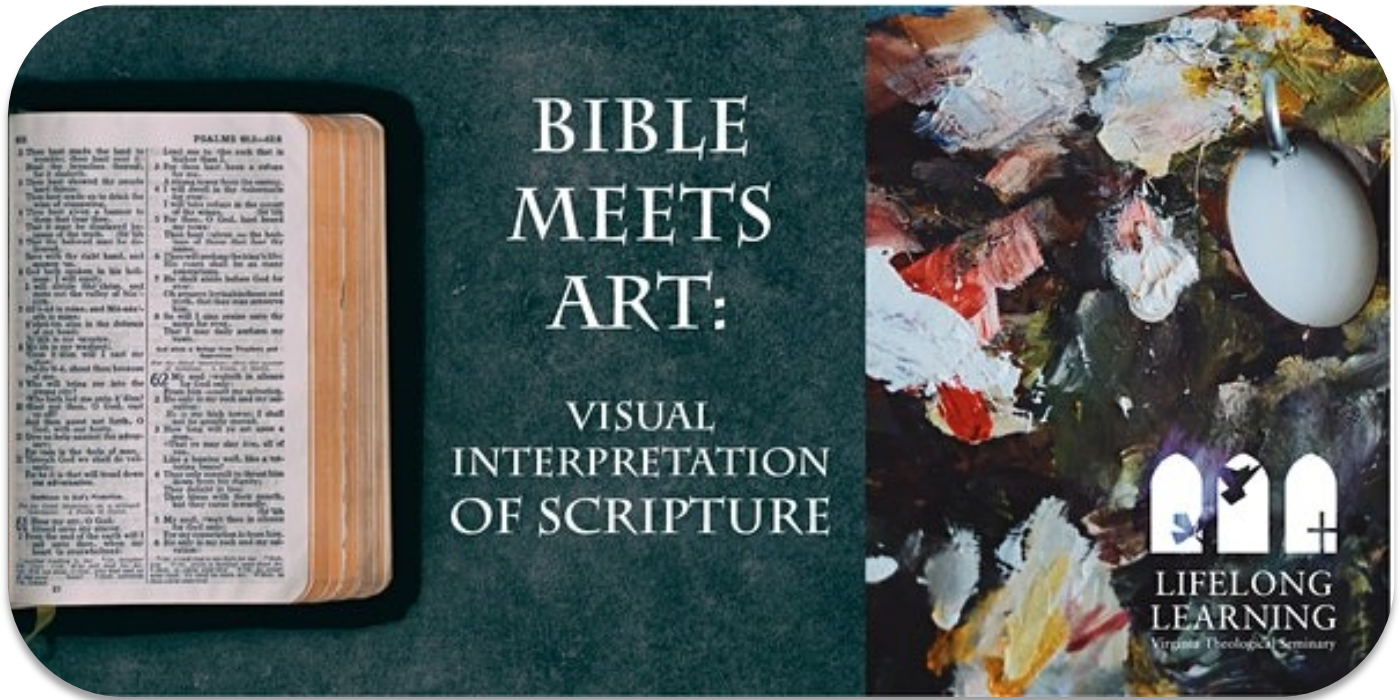
“Once-a-Month Gardeners” Needed for Zabriskie

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), Chair of the Building and Grounds Committee, and Kevin Kirby (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.





"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>).

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes

September 12, 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.

PASTORAL CARE CORNER: Please remember these parishioners in your prayers: 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, Barbara, Joan, and Peter.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Paul Atwood, Katherine Smith, Nick Lansing, Ally Powell-Switaj, Leah Wilson, Chip Calloway, Ben Hewson, Khary Stockton, Leif Christoffersen, Wendy Lane John, Janice Newman, Suri Artie, Tracey Friday, Kate Snow, and Ginny Johnstone.

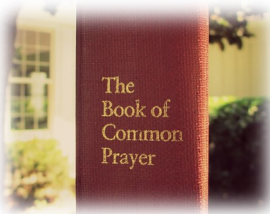
Please also remember in your prayers members of our extended Parish family: Charlotte Kellogg; Anthony Christino, Jr., Paul, Dorothy Phaneuf, Anne Newcomb, Sydney Bailey, Narciso, Sheri, Karen and Gwen, Lelah Ann Young, Caroline, Bert Ifill, Jeanette Beckmann, Lois Blair, Amy Wallens Green, Kelly, Cameron Pattsall, 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 Pavek, 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; and Eleanore Tighe.

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: Navy Lieutenants Bradley A. Foster and Paul R. Fridley, Naval Air Crewman (Helicopter) 2nd Class James P. Buriak, Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Sarah F. Burns, and Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Bailey J. Tucker. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

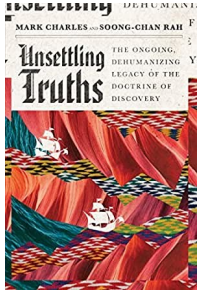
Join Immanuel Clergy and Staff

MORNING PRAYER Every Tuesday
beginning September 14th
10a.m., Zabriskie Chapel



Announcements

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



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!

New Chapters for Thursday Morning Bible Study:

LETTERS TO THE EPHESIANS AND THE COLOSSIANS

Join the clergy **this Thursday, September 16th at 10:30a.m.** for a Bible study series on the Epistle to the Ephesians and Colossians.

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1. Visit our website 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](#).

To join by phone, dial: 1 (301) 715- 8592, then enter the Meeting ID: 825 5204 5029, then Password: 312018 using the keypad of your telephone.



For more information, contact one of the clergy.



COMPLINE Service on Fridays: Join us for this **Friday Compline September 17th 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](#).

To join the service by phone, dial: 1- (301) 715-8592 and enter the following: Meeting ID: 817 3973 7116 , Password: 029619.

Forum Hour: "All About the Vestry"
Sunday, September 19th @ 9AM

Look for details in this week's eBlast email!



Next **Sunday, September 19th**, will be called **Lament Sunday** at Immanuel. It will be a time set apart to name and pray about some of the corporate and personal losses we have experienced thus far in the pandemic, and seeking God's healing and grace. This theme will be reflected in the prayers, the music, and the sermon, and we will begin offering, every week, personal prayers for healing for those desiring those prayers.

TWO Sacred Ground Dialogue Circles:

IMMANUEL'S STARTS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH

Sacred Ground



Sacred Ground Starting Monday, September 20TH: 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.)

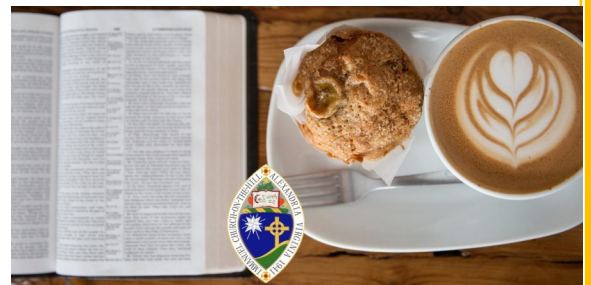
Ten small group sessions -- based on intensive reading and film viewing homework -- review chapters of America's history of race and racism, while weaving in threads of family story, economic class, and political and regional identity. More details are available at <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/sacred-ground>. Please contact **David Atwood** at atwooddavid@gmail.com, or **Kathryn Haskin** at 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 21st. Click the word "[Registration](#)" to learn the details and costs associated with their program.

BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY on EPHESIANS 5:15-21

Join us online for Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study on **Saturday, September 25th**, not the 18th-- we normally meet the third Saturday of each month. We will meet via Zoom (link and info below) beginning at 8a.m.. Our theme this year is God's Loving Concern; we will read Ephesians 5:15-21, using the African Model of Reflection.

For more information, contact Chrissie at cmcfaddencrosby@gmail.com. For more information, please [visit our website HERE](#)



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To join by phone, dial: 1 (301) 715- 8592, then enter the Meeting ID: 959 5450 6553, then the Passcode: 027913.

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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
 1:00p.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II
 Zabriskie Chapel Memorial Garden

Online

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