



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



CHRISTMAS DAY

December 25, 2022

Holy Eucharist, 11:00 a.m.



Prelude: Noël

Louis-Claude Daquin

Opening Hymn 109: “The first Nowell, the angel did say” verses 1,3,5, and 6

The First Nowell

found in The Hymnal 1982

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

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

People: ***And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

The Collect for Purity

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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 Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Hymn of Praise 83: “O come, all ye faithful” verse 1 *found in* The Hymnal 1982

Adeste Fideles

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born this day of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

The First Lesson: Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

The Word of the Lord

Response: ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 98 *Cantate Domino*

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

The Epistle: Hebrews 1:1-4

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Sequence Hymn 78: "O little town of Bethlehem"

verses 1,2, and 5

Forrest Green

found in The Hymnal 1982

The Holy Gospel: John 1:1-14

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

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

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

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

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

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

Sermon: The Rev. Susan D. Parsons

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People

After the Intercessor says "Lord of all creation,"
the congregation responds "*Come and dwell among us.*"

Confession of Sin and Absolution

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The Peace

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

Welcome

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn 102: "Once in Royal David's city"

verses 1,2,3, and 6

Michael Praetorius

found in The Hymnal 1982

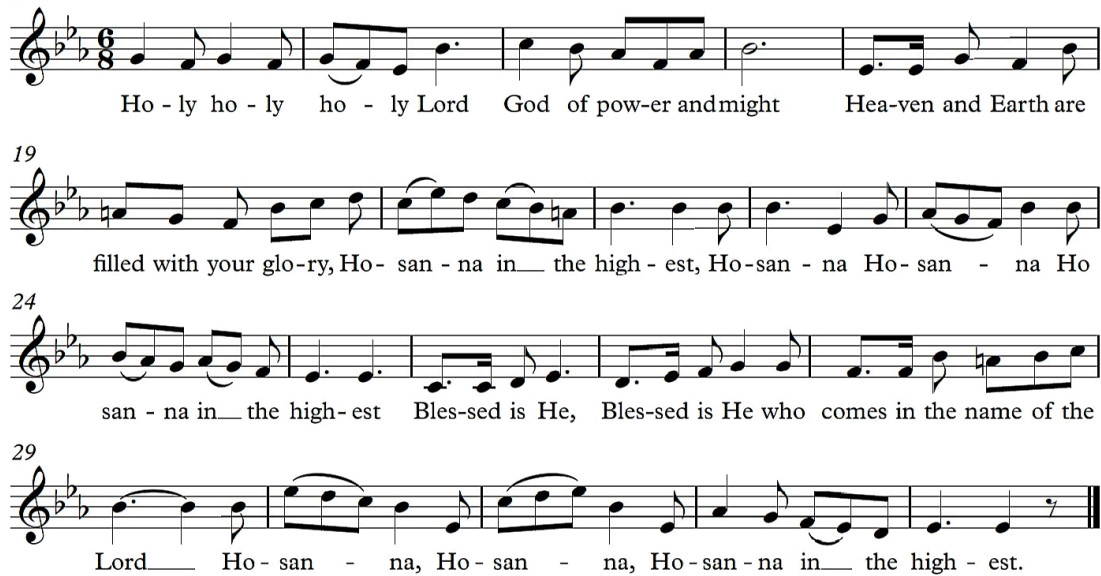
The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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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



Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly Lord God of pow-er and might Hea-ven and Earth are
19 filled with your glo-ry, Ho- san - na in the high - est, Ho-san - na Ho-san - na Ho
24 san - na in the high-est Bles-sed is He, Bles-sed is He who comes in the name of the
29 Lord Ho- san - na, Ho- san - na, Ho-san-na in the high - est.

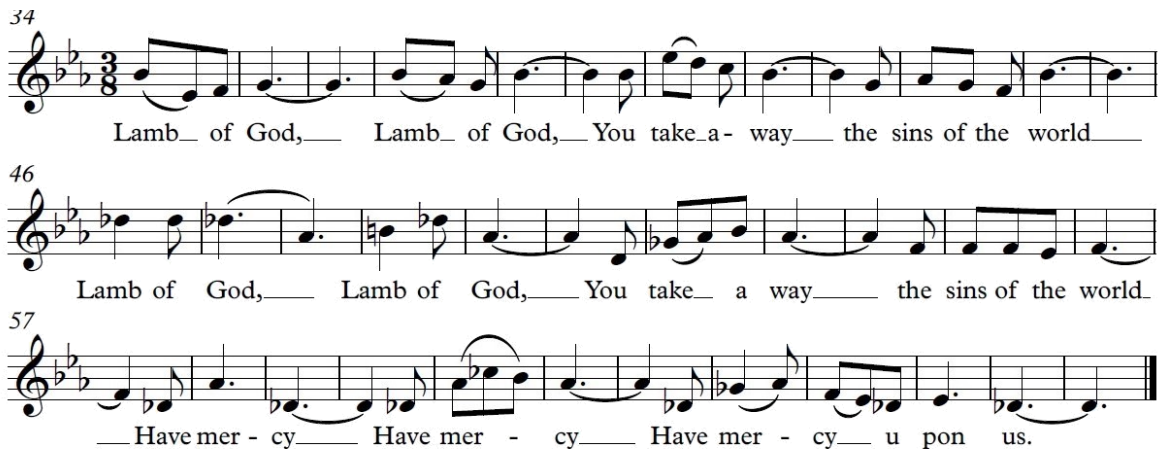
The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei (from A Mass for Immanuel)

Jane Tavernier



34 Lamb of God, Lamb of God, You take a way the sins of the world
46 Lamb of God, Lamb of God, You take a way the sins of the world.
57 Have mer - cy Have mer - cy Have mer - cy u pon us.

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 receive at the Altar, please let an usher know that you would like to have Communion brought to you.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Communion Anthem Hymn 107: “Good Christian friends, rejoice”
found in The Hymnal 1982

In dulci jubilo

THE IMMANUEL CHOIR

Sung, if needed

Communion Hymn 101: “Away in a manger, no crib for his bed”
found in The Hymnal 1982

Cradle Song

Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

Closing Hymn 105: "God rest ye, merry gentlemen" *found in The Hymnal 1982* *God Rest You Merry*

The Dismissal

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

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

Postlude: In Dulci Jubilo

Johann Sebastian Bach

SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST:

Reader: Karen Besser

Chalice Bearer: Susan Gildersleeve

Altar Guild: Susan Gildersleeve

Ushers: Steward Skubel, Teresa Skubel

Flower Guild: The Immanuel Flower Guild

Musicians: Dr. Jane Tavernier

Celebrant: The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes December 25, 2022

IN THE NAME OF CHRIST we welcome you to Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill!

Immanuel is an Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia, and is part of the world-wide Anglican Communion. Immanuel was founded by the Virginia Theological Seminary. We are one parish that worships in two locations: the Zabriskie Chapel (3606 Seminary Road), and Immanuel Chapel (3737 Seminary Road) on the seminary grounds. Immanuel Chapel offers a fully-staffed nursery for our infant and toddler parishioners.

Visitors are encouraged to fill out a pew card — located in display stands at both entrances of the chapel — 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: Cynthia Morton, Catherine Sinclair, Francine Wargo, Jessi MacLeod, Kenny, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Tony, Daphne, Nancy Bishop, Ann Huntington, Rita, Betty Wanamaker, Edith, Joseph, Linda and Cy Murphy, John and Louisa Smucker, Ann MacNamara, the Sara Fein family, Norma Taliaferro, Jim Wise, Margaret Stockton, and Sudie McGahuey.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Charlotte Kellogg, Dana De Cecco, George Rustigian, Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Louise Jackson, Marjean Smith, Paul, Rowena and Don Lynch, Steve Davis, Stephen Miller, Sue Rehnke, Ryan, John, McQuade Milligan, Peter and Joanne, Mary Muniz, the Rev. Rosa Harper, John Corbett, Joseph Fabian, Candy Morgan, Nancy Kraus, Jim Rehnke, Felicia Balzano, Roy Zartarian, Connie Smith; and Salih, Zeyneb, and Elif Sayilgan.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Carol Crossmire, Amy Parks, Drew Parks, Marda Robillard, Norma Taliaferro, Mae Hunt, the Rev. Jan A. Maas, Ken McDonald, Honor Fede and Charlotte Gehrs.

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

Those who have died: Betsy Hahn. *Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her.*



UPCOMING SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMASTIDE

2023

January 1	11:00 a.m.	The Feast of the Holy Name Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Zabriskie Chapel
January 8	8:00 a.m.	The Feast of the Epiphany (<i>observed</i>) Holy Eucharist, Rite I	Zabriskie Chapel
	10:30 a.m.	The Feast of the Epiphany (<i>observed</i>) Holy Eucharist, Rite II featuring the Handbell Choir of Immanuel	Immanuel Chapel

Announcements

Weekday Worship Opportunities

MORNING PRAYER January 10 @ 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 of the Church is commemorating.

Join us for **Holy Eucharist Rite II on Wednesday, January 11, 2023**
@ 6:30 p.m., Zabriskie Chapel.

Our Weekly Bible Study Returns, Thursday, January 5, 2023 @ 10:30 a.m.
CONNECTING THE GREAT PROPHECIES OF DANIEL AND REVELATION

Evening Compline, Friday, January 6th, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

ALIVE! is an interfaith nonprofit organization dedicated to fighting poverty and hunger in the City of Alexandria. Immanuel on-the-Hill is one of the congregations responsible for collecting food in the month of January. ALIVE! provides food for thousands of families throughout Alexandria with sites in high-need neighborhoods.

Please drop-off donations of non-perishable, medium sized, non-expired food items in **the black bin** located in **the narthex of Zabriskie Chapel** — beginning January 8th, you'll be able to drop them off at Immanuel Chapel. Monetary donations are also very helpful because they allow Alive! to purchase fresh meat, eggs and produce. Checks can be brought to the church office or sent to the ALIVE! office at 2723 King St Alexandria VA 22302. You can also donate online at www.alive-inc.org

FIRST SUNDAY FORUM HOURS FOR 2023

(Dates and locations are tentative, and need to be confirmed.)

Join us after Holy Eucharist during coffee hour for one or all of our first for forum hours this winter.

- **January 15th (tentative): *Faith and Outreach: Parishioners' Experience Engaging In Out Community with Key Outreach Partners***
- **January 22nd (tentative): *What the New Climate Change Law Means to You: Voices of Immanuelites Involved in Creation Care Legislation***
- **February 12th: *The Role of Faith in Troubling Times* with guest speaker **The Rev. Dr. Frank Wade****

WE'RE GOING TO RICHMOND, Wednesday January 18th: Join Immanuelites and other concerned citizens for the Virginia Interfaith Center's **Dialogue with Virginia General Assembly** in Richmond, VA on ***Ending Prolonged Solitary Confinement in Virginia's Prisons.***

Immanuel's Social Justice Committee invites you to join us — and pray for us — as we journey with the Virginia Interfaith Center to Richmond to make the position of the national Episcopal church and our own parish known to our State Delegates and Senators. After 18 months of study and engagement with local authorities and experts, our Committee feels ready to speak with our legislators directly, and encourage everyone who is interested to participate. For more information, contact David Atwood at David_Atwood@hotmail.com

THE CHRISTMAS BRASS QUARTET



Brass PATRONS

Tom and Deborah Hewson

In thanksgiving for Ben, Sarah, Jack, Audrey, and Liam

In memory of Tom and Betsy Hewson

The Maas-Hicks Family

In memory of Georgia S. Maas

Mary Ann Rehnke

In memory of Charles O. Willis

Ann Schlesinger and Josef "Pepi" Lustig; and Tess, Rachel, Rebecca and Max Schlesinger Lustig

In loving memory of Jacob Schlesinger Lustig, James and Rachel Schlesinger

Brass SPONSORS

Kenneth R. Gerhart

In memory of James C. Gerhart

The Hobson Family

In loving memory of Richard R. G. Hobson

Danette (Dani) Gentile Kauffman

In thanksgiving for the choir and beautiful music at Immanuel

In memory of Frances Wells Biddinger, and Gretchen Gentile Ma

Kevin Kirby and Eileen Monnin-Kirby

In thanksgiving for Deborah Kirby

Chandley and Ken McDonald

In memory of Colonel and Mrs. John A. McCann, and Mr. and Mrs. C. P. McDonald

Paul Smyth and Denise Freeland

In thanksgiving for Jane Tavernier and the Choir





CHRISTMAS MUSIC DEDICATIONS

Diane Adams	In honor of Dani Kauffman for her devotion and creative contributions to the missions of Immanuel
The Alexander Family	In memory of Joseph and Mildred Alexander, Edgar and Dorothy Phaneuf, and Nadine Vipperman
Anonymous	In memory of James William “Bill” Kilpatrick
The Brown Family	In memory of Samuel K. Brown Jr., Peter J. Brown
Hugh and Jan Campbell	In thanksgiving for our Grandchildren – Hugh, Matthew, Elizabeth, Claire, Chloe, and Virginia
Carolyn Ferguson	In thanksgiving for my children: Mike, Les, and Lanai
Kenneth R. Gerhart	In memory of James C. Gerhart
Doug Henry	In thanksgiving for the Choir of Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill
Tom and Deborah Hewson	In thanksgiving for Ben, Sarah, Jack, Audrey, and Liam In memory of Bill and Sue Davis
The Hobson Family	In loving memory of Richard R.G. Hobson
Doug and Wendy John	In thanksgiving for our grandkids – Thomas and Cora, Ben and Scarlett
Danette (Dani) Gentile Kauffman	In thanksgiving for Diane Adams In memory of Gretchen A. and Daniel M. Gentile
Ken and Chandley McDonald	In memory of Thomas A. McDonald and Keith D. McDonald
John and Edna Roberts	In thanksgiving for our children John and Elizabeth Roberts and our granddaughter Sofia Roberts In memory of our parents Jack and Lucy Roberts, and Bus and Vernie Knight
Katherine Smith and Brian Young	In thanksgiving for the life of the late Eleanor Boothe Smith and John Moffett Smith
Paul Smyth and Denise Freeland	In thanksgiving for our grandchildren

CHRISTMAS GREENS AND FLOWER DEDICATIONS



Aaron and Lanai Bea	In thanksgiving for our family
Hugh and Jan Campbell	In thanksgiving for our grandchildren – Hugh, Matthew, Elizabeth, Virginia, Claire, and Chloe Campbell
Janice Corbett	In thanksgiving for my family and friends
Carolyn Ferguson	In memory of Mike Ferguson, Sr.
Kenneth R. Gerhart	In memory of James C. Gerhart
Douglas Henry	In memory of Mary Ellen Henry
Doug and Wendy John	In thanksgiving for our grandkids - Thomas and Cora, Ben and Scarlett
Kathryn Lloyd and David Stayanoff	In loving memory of Arlo and Katie Lloyd
The Maas-Hicks Family	In memory of Georgia S. Maas
Katherine Smith and Brian Young	In thanksgiving for the life of the late Bob and Ann Young, and the late Christine Hermen Glascock
James and Laura Snow	In memory of our parents: John and Ardath Snow and Philip and Cecelia Burge



*...and all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore,
and in a greater light, that multitude which no one can number,
whose hope was in the Word made flesh,
and with whom, in this Lord Jesus, we are forever one.*

CLERGY AND STAFF

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 Shawn Whitman Junior Warden: Building and Grounds, Creation Care Committees
 David Atwood Adult Formation and Discipleship, Social Justice
 Brad Ashton..... Stewardship and Planned Giving
 Mollie Lambert..... Outreach
 Kathy Lloyd..... Senior Ministry
 Brooke Roberts..... Communications
 Phyllis Sims Evangelism and New Members
 Julie Bruns Pastoral Care
 Gabriella Young-Smith Youth Representative (nonvoting member)

SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

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

Online

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 The Rev. Canon Rosemari G. Sullivan
 The Rev. Dr. Francis H. Wade

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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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