



# Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

## Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



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THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

March 24, 2024

### Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist Rite I, 8:00 a.m.

Page numbers refer to [\*The Book of Common Prayer\*](#).

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#### THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Clergy: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.  
People: *Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

#### Mark 11:1-11

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna!  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!  
Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

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

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

Celebrant: It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Celebrant: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Celebrant and People: *Hosanna in the highest.*

Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace.

People: *In the name of Christ. Amen.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People: *His mercy endureth for ever.*

### The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord *Amen.*

### *Kyrie eleison*

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### The Collect of the Day

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

People: *And with thy spirit.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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 31:9-16 *In te, Domine, speravi*

- 9 Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; \*  
my eye is consumed with sorrow,  
and also my throat and my belly.
- 10 For my life is wasted with grief,  
and my years with sighing; \*  
my strength fails me because of affliction,  
and my bones are consumed.
- 11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,  
a dismay to those of my acquaintance; \*  
when they see me in the street they avoid me.
- 12 I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; \*  
I am as useless as a broken pot.
- 13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;  
fear is all around; \*  
they put their heads together against me;  
they plot to take my life.
- 14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord. \*  
I have said, "You are my God.
- 15 My times are in your hand; \*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,  
and from those who persecute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*  
and in your loving-kindness save me."

## The Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death -- even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MARK 14:1-15:47

*Large print editions are available with the ushers.*

**NARRATOR:** The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said,

**CHIEF PRIEST:** Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.

**NARRATOR:** While Jesus was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger,

**BYSTANDER 1:** Why was the ointment wasted in this way?

**BYSTANDER 2:** For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor.

**NARRATOR:** And they scolded her. But Jesus said,

**JESUS:** Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her.

**NARRATOR:** Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray Jesus to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So Judas began to look for an opportunity to betray him. On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, Jesus' disciples said to him,

**DISCIPLE:** Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?

**NARRATOR:** So Jesus sent two of his disciples, saying to them,

**JESUS:** Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, "Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.

**NARRATOR:** So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as Jesus had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, Jesus came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said,

**JESUS:** Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.

**NARRATOR:** They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another,

**DISCIPLE:** Surely, not I?

**NARRATOR:** Jesus said to them,

**JESUS:** It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.

**NARRATOR:** While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said,

**JESUS:** Take; this is my body.

**NARRATOR:** Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them,

**JESUS:** This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.

**NARRATOR:** When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them,

**JESUS:** You will all become deserters; for it is written, “I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.” But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.

**NARRATOR:** Peter said to him,

**PETER:** Even though all become deserters, I will not.

**NARRATOR:** Jesus said to him,

**JESUS:** Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.

**NARRATOR:** But Peter said vehemently,

**PETER:** Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.

**NARRATOR:** And all of them said the same. They went to a place called Gethsemane; and Jesus said to his disciples,

**JESUS:** Sit here while I pray.

**NARRATOR:** Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And he said to the three disciples,

**JESUS:** I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.

**NARRATOR:** And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said,

**JESUS:** Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.

**NARRATOR:** Jesus came and found the disciples sleeping; and he said to Peter,

**JESUS:** Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

**NARRATOR:** And again Jesus went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. Jesus came a third time and said to them,

**JESUS:** Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.

**NARRATOR:** Immediately, while Jesus was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given the crowd a sign, saying,

**JESUS:** The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.

**NARRATOR:** So when Judas came, he went up to Jesus at once and said,

**JUDAS:** Rabbi!

**NARRATOR:** and kissed him. Then they laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them,

**JESUS:** Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled.

**NARRATOR:** All of Jesus' followers deserted him and fled. A certain young man was following Jesus, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. The crowd caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked. They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed Jesus at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against Jesus, saying,

**WITNESS:** We heard him say, "I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands."

**NARRATOR:** But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus,

**HIGH PRIEST:** Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?

**NARRATOR:** But Jesus was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him,

**HIGH PRIEST:** Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?

**NARRATOR:** Jesus said,

**JESUS:** I am; and "you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power," and "coming with the clouds of heaven."

**NARRATOR:** Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,

**HIGH PRIEST:** Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?

**NARRATOR:** The whole council condemned Jesus as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him,

**COUNCIL:** *Prophesy!*

**NARRATOR:** The guards also took Jesus over and beat him. While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said,

**SERVANT:** You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.

**NARRATOR:** But Peter denied it, saying,

**PETER:** I do not know or understand what you are talking about.

**NARRATOR:** And Peter went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders,

**SERVANT:** This man is one of them.

**NARRATOR:** But again Peter denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter,

**BYSTANDER 1:** Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean.

**NARRATOR:** But Peter began to curse, and he swore an oath,

**PETER:** I do not know this man you are talking about.

**NARRATOR:** At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him,

**JESUS:** Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.

**NARRATOR:** And Peter broke down and wept. As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him,

**PILATE:** Are you the King of the Jews?

**NARRATOR:** Jesus answered him,

**JESUS:** You say so.

**NARRATOR:** Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,

**PILATE:** Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.

**NARRATOR:** But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. Now at the festival Pilate used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then Pilate answered them,

**PILATE:** Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?

**NARRATOR:** For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have Pilate release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again,

**PILATE:** Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?

**NARRATOR:** The crowd shouted back,

**CROWD:** *Crucify him!*

**NARRATOR:** Pilate asked them,

**PILATE:** Why, what evil has he done?

**NARRATOR:** But they shouted all the more,

**CROWD:** *Crucify him!*

**NARRATOR:** So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, Pilate handed him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers led Jesus into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed Jesus in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him,

**SOLDIER:** Hail, King of the Jews!

**NARRATOR:** They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him. They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry Jesus' cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). [*All who are able, please stand.*] And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And the soldiers crucified Jesus, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with Jesus they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided Jesus, shaking their heads and saying,

**PASSER-BY:** Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!

**NARRATOR:** In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking Jesus among themselves and saying,

**CHIEF PRIEST:** He saved others; he cannot save himself.

**SCRIBE:** Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.

**NARRATOR:** Those who were crucified with Jesus also taunted him. When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

**JESUS:** Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?



**NARRATOR:** which means,

**JESUS:** My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

**NARRATOR:** When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

**BYSTANDER 1:** Listen, he is calling for Elijah.

**NARRATOR:** And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to Jesus to drink, saying,

**BYSTANDER 2:** Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.

**NARRATOR:** Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. [*Silence may be kept.*] And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way Jesus breathed his last, he said,

**CENTURION:** Truly this man was God's Son!

**NARRATOR:** There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow Jesus and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem. When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if Jesus were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether Jesus had been dead for some time. When Pilate learned from the centurion that Jesus was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. Joseph then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.



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*An extended period of silence is observed.*

NARRATOR	Rosi Urbine
CHIEF PRIEST AND PILATE:	Pierre Shostal
BYSTANDER 1 AND WITNESS:	Susan Gildersleeve
BYSTANDER 2, SERVANT, AND HIGH PRIEST:	Chandley McDonald
JESUS:	Bertus Shelters
DISCIPLE, PASSER-BY, AND SOLDIER:	Chip Coakley
PETER , JUDAS, AND CENTURION:	Ken McDonald
SCRIBE AND CENTURION:	Brian Rush
COUNCIL AND CROWD:	Immanuel Parishioners

**The Homily:** The Rev. Sarah Spurlock Biggs

### **The Prayers of the People**

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

### **The Peace**

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

### **Welcome**

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

### **The Offertory**

Clergy: All things come of thee, O Lord; and of thine own, have we given thee. p. 343

### **The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II**

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.  
People: *And with thy spirit.*  
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.  
People: *We lift them up unto the Lord.*  
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
People: *It is meet and right so to do.*

### ***Sanctus and Benedictus***

Celebrant *Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:*  
and *Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.*  
People: *Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.*

*Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

### **The Lord’s Prayer**

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## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

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

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *have mercy upon us.*  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *have mercy upon us.*  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *grant us thy peace.*

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.

*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*

### Post Communion Prayer

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*Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.*

### The Blessing

### The Dismissal

*Let us depart in silence, to begin a Holy Week.*

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**SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST:** *Reader/Intercessor:* Linda Donahue  
*Passion Narrative:* Chip Coakley, Susan Gildersleeve, Chandley McDonald  
Ken McDonald, Brian Rush, Bertus Shelters,  
Pierre Shostal, Rosi Urbine  
*Altar Guild:* Diana Walker  
*Flower Guild:* The Immanuel Flower Guild  
*Usher:* Doug Henry  
*Vestry Greeter/Counter:* Brian Rush  
*Coffee Hour Host:* Lisa Clausen  
*Celebrant:* The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander

# IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes  
March 24, 2024



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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. Both chapels offer a fully-staffed nursery for our infant and toddler parishioners.

**Visitors are encouraged to fill out a visitor card — located in the pews or display stands at the entrances of the chapels.** Give your card 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](http://www.icoh.net)).

**PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS:** Natalie Doyle Hennin, Rollin Huntington, Marianne Ingold, Johnson/Gildersleeve Family, Joseph, Kenny, Ann MacNamara, Cynthia Morton, Linda and Cy Murphy, Tony and Patsy Rogers, Catherine Sinclair, John Smucker, Norma Taliaferro, Zuzanna and Spencer Wise.

**PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY:** Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Dave and Betsy Fox Berry, Peter Blackledge, Jean Couban, Steve Davis, Dana DeCecco, Joseph Fabian, Gerald, Linda Gill, Betty Hicks, MaryAnn Hollis, Louise Jackson, Joanne, Tom Kellner, Charlotte Kellogg, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Winnie Kidd, Lillian Kozuma, Ann Langdon-Days, Lysbeth, Marge McGoff, Joe Miceli, Michael, Stephen Miller, McQuade Milligan, Mary Muniz, Carol Ording, Shelby Ochs Owen, Pamela, Paul, Lilly Pinner, Sarah Pollach, Jennie Rae, Sue Rehnke, Roger, Bridget Rice Rose, Shawn Rush, George Rustigian, Brother Efrain Sosu, Fred Vipperman, Mark Vipperman, Rosemary Wensing, Sarah Whitley, Jean Williams, Ryan Willis, and Richard Zitelli.

**Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week:** Janice Corbett, **Wendy Hoge**, Mary Jane Ruhl, Bethany O'Donnell, Jackson O'Donnell, Ints Silins, Terri LaGoe, Christine Michaelis, Zachary Thompson, Susan Gildersleeve, Kristin Whitman, David Atwood, and Barbara Ramsdell.

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

**Those who have died:** Betty Harris, cousin of Father Randy Alexander; and Peter Perla, close family friend of Jane Tavernier. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

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**Happy <sup>100</sup> Birthday**  
**Wendy Hogue**

# Announcements

## WEEKDAY WORSHIP AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Noonday Holy Eucharist Rite II, Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, Zabriskie Chapel

Evening Compline, Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

**Immanuel's Children's Chapel meets each Sunday, 10:00 --10:25a.m, in the Oratory at Immanuel Chapel!** (The Oratory is a small chapel on the other end of the hallway—opposite the parlor/coffee hour). Our Children's Chapel is a 25-minute service rich with prayer, Bible stories, music, and reflections to teach our children about God's love. All are welcome!

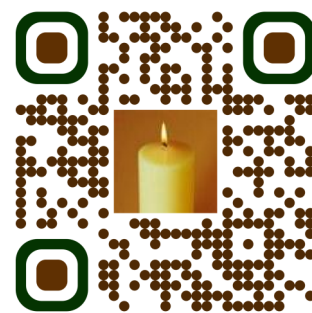
**Our EYC (Episcopal Youth Community-Grades 7-12) meets every 1st and 3rd Sunday** of the month, 5:30-7:00 p.m. in the Zabriskie Parish Hall.

Questions? Contact Rev. Sarah directly at [sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net](mailto:sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net).

### **ONLY 4 SLOTS LEFT** **MAUNDY THURSDAY OVERNIGHT VIGIL SIGNUP** *WEE HOURS NEEDED*

Immediately following the end of our Maundy Thursday Holy Eucharist with Choir, Foot Washing, and Stripping of the Altar, we will keep watch during our Overnight Prayer Vigil at the **ALTAR OF REPOSE**, The Oratory (*Side Chapel*) at Immanuel Chapel.

We're so close to our goal of having all slots filled — only 4, one-hour slots remain. Please scan the barcode at right to sign up for one or several slots or, [find this bulletin online and click the purple text above](#). Thank you and God be with you during your watch.



Overnight Vigil Signup

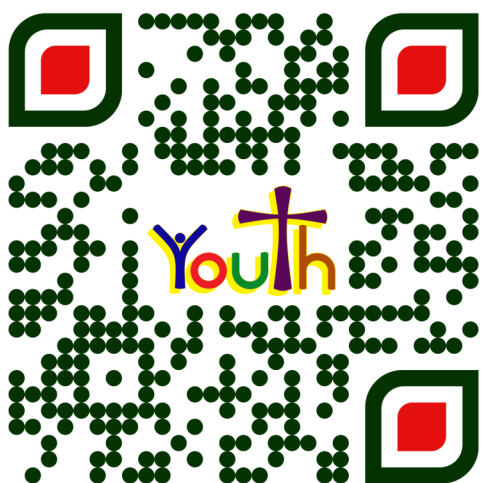
### † Youth Sunday † April 7<sup>th</sup> †

Mark your Calendar! Immanuel's children and youth will host a youth-led service at 10:30am on April 7<sup>th</sup>, Immanuel Chapel. Our youth will serve in many of the lay ministry roles normally filled by adults serving. Review the list below and ask your child if they can serve that Sunday in one of the following:

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| † Altar Guild  | † Intercessor |
| † Crucifer     | † Reader(s)   |
| † Flower Guild | † Usher(s)    |

There are so many ways to serve! (We'll be sure everyone knows of their roles ahead of time and will meet at 10:00a.m. that morning to prepare for the service)

To sign-up, please scan the QR code at left!



## EASY WAY TO SIGN UP: MARCH-MAY

Sign up to Serve in our Sunday Services through Lent, Easter, and Pentecost  
ONLINE via Our **Red SignUp Genius Button**

Please sign up to serve as a Reader, Intercessor, Usher, Acolyte, Altar Guild, Crucifer and/or Chalice Bearer online via [SignUp Genius](#) for Immanuel by visiting the landing page of our website at [www.ICOH.net](http://www.ICOH.net) and [clicking on the red button at left](#). **If you're a student — or planning Summer travel — feel free to sign-up for the Lenten season, Easter, and the Feast of Pentecost *only*.**

**Sign-up to Serve on Sundays**



**Lay Ministry**

**SignUp Genius**

If you are a first-timer and need training, please contact Agnes at the office on **Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.** (ext. #206), or via email at [asoos@icoh.net](mailto:asoos@icoh.net). Finally, if you need training for a particular ministry, please send a request to Mother Susan at [sparsons@icoh.net](mailto:sparsons@icoh.net) or indicate so in the comments box under your name on the online form. **THANK YOU — especially to all who have signed-up!**

### Bearing Witness Series: Parish wide Poll for Best Day and Time

**Come Join Father Randy for learning and dialogue regarding our Christian brothers and sisters in the Holy Land in this time of challenge, heartbreak, and hope.** Father Randy will lead a five week series of structured learning and dialogue sessions during Eastertide organized by the American Friends of the Diocese of Jerusalem. **These sessions will take place in person in April and early May on either Saturday mornings or Wednesday evenings**

Please signal your interest, or ask any questions, to [Father Randy](#) or [David Atwood](#). You can also leave a voicemail message on our RSVP line by calling (703) 370-6555 — and, following the prompt, press “9”.

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### ALL ABOARD! Senior Adult Ministry and Fellowship

#### **Tour of THE TALL SHIP PROVIDENCE**

Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Waterfront Park

Immanuel's Senior Adult Ministry is going into Old Town Alexandria on Monday, April 8 for a **tour of the tall ship Providence**. The Providence is docked at the **Waterfront Park** as part of the new **Senator John Warner Maritime Heritage Center**. We will take a one-hour tour, hosted by two costumed interpreters, during which we will each be assigned a crew position and learn about the workings of a ship during the 18<sup>th</sup> century. While the information will be presented dockside, those who are able can then board the ship and visit the quarterdeck, the main deck, the captain's quarters, and the hold. We will also have access to the **Naval History Theater** and a film about the Providence.

Afterward, we will adjourn across the park to Virtue Feed and Grain for lunch (or you may choose to bring a bag lunch if the weather looks favorable).

The van will leave the Zabriskie parish hall at 9:30am, stop at Goodwin House-Baileys Crossroads, at Goodwin House Alexandria and The View (as needed) and then proceed to the Waterfront Park. The tour will last from 10:30 to 11:30. After lunch we will leave Old Town and return to the parish hall via the various other stops, to arrive no later than 2:30pm.

Tickets are \$18/person, and there's a \$20 co-pay to ride the van. Each person will be responsible for their own lunch.

# HOLY WEEK and EASTER at IMMANUEL



March 26	Tuesday	10:30 a.m.	<i>The Chrism Mass: Clergy Reaffirmation of Vows (All are invited to witness clergy from our diocese make a public reaffirmation in the presence of <b>The Right Rev. David C. Jones</b>).</i>	Zabriskie Chapel
March 27	Wednesday	12 Noon	Holy Eucharist Rite II	Zabriskie Chapel
March 28	<b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b>	7:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite II with Choir, Foot Washing and Stripping of the Altar	Immanuel Chapel
		8:00 p.m.	<b>Overnight Prayer Vigil at the ALTAR OF REPOSE</b> (Please scan the barcode on <a href="#">page 13</a> to sign up).	The Oratory (Side Chapel) at Immanuel Chapel
March 29	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	12 Noon	Stations of the Cross	Immanuel Chapel
		7:00 p.m.	The Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday	Immanuel Chapel

## EASTER SUNDAY

March 31		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite I	Zabriskie Chapel
		9:15 a.m.	Festival Holy Eucharist Rite II with Brass, Choir, and Timpani	Immanuel Chapel
		10:30 a.m.	<i>Reception and Children's Easter Egg Hunt, the grove at VTS</i>	Chapel grounds
		11:15 a.m.	Festival Holy Eucharist Rite II with Brass, Choir, and Timpani	Immanuel Chapel
		12:30 p.m.	<i>Reception in the Parlor</i>	Immanuel Chapel

**Creation Care Monthly Meeting Rescheduled for April 11<sup>th</sup>:** April's Creation Care Meeting has been rescheduled to Tuesday, April 11 at 7:30 PM via Zoom. Please mark your calendars. If you are interested in participating and do not already receive meeting notices, please email Denise Freeland to receive the Zoom link: [eco.voce@verizon.net](mailto:eco.voce@verizon.net)

**MONTHLY SATURDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY *Saturday, [APRIL 20<sup>th</sup>](#), 8:00 AM Held Online via Zoom:*** Join Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> online 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 for 2024 is *Anxiety!* This month we will read **Lamentations 3:19–26** "*Surely the Lord's mercies are not over...every morning they are renewed...The Lord is good to those who trust him, to all who search for him*" using the African Model of Reflection. For more information, please visit [our webpage "Breakfast Bible Study"](#), or contact Chrissie Crosby at [cmcfaddencrosby@gmail.com](mailto:cmcfaddencrosby@gmail.com).

[Join Zoom Saturday Breakfast Bible Study Meeting](#) / Meeting ID: 959 5450 6553 /Passcode: 027913

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 Taylor Houck ..... Adult Formation and Discipleship  
 Brad Ashton and Philip Brown ..... Stewardship and Planned Giving  
 Julie Bruns ..... Outreach  
 Kathy Lloyd ..... Children Youth and Family Ministries  
 Mark Fearer ..... Social Justice and Pastoral Care  
 Brian Rush ..... Evangelism and Newcomers  
 Matt Haskin ..... Worship  
 Philip Brown ..... Fellowship  
 Caroline Bergmark ..... Communications  
 Sophie Johnson, Sydney Onley, David Stayanoff, and Isabelle Young-Smith ..... Youth Representatives

**SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES**

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

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

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**MISSION STATEMENT:** Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill is a Christian community in the Episcopal tradition, striving to be in relationship with God and each other as Christ has taught us, actively attempting to sense and to serve God’s plan with great love. We are guided by Mark 16:15: “Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel,” to learn, discern, and proclaim the Good News by being active ministers in the various communities where we live and serve.



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