



# Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

## Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 4, 2022

### Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 8:00 a.m.

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#### THE WORD OF GOD

##### Opening Acclamation

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

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

##### The Collect for Purity

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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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*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

***Christ, have mercy upon us.***

*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

##### The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

People: ***And with thy spirit.***

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Merciful God, who didst send thy messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

## The First Lesson: Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,  
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.  
The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.  
His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide by what his ears hear;  
but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,  
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;  
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,  
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.  
Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,  
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb,  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,  
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,  
and a little child shall lead them.  
The cow and the bear shall graze,  
their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.  
The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,  
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.  
They will not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain;  
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord  
as the waters cover the sea.  
On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him,  
and his dwelling shall be glorious.

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

## Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 *Deus, iudicium*

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, \*  
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously \*  
and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, \*  
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; \*  
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, \*  
from one generation to another.

- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, \*  
like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; \*  
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- 18 Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, \*  
who alone does wondrous deeds!
- 19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! \*  
and may all the earth be filled with his glory.  
Amen. Amen.

### The Epistle: Romans 15:4-13

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles,  
and sing praises to your name";  
and again he says,  
"Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people";  
and again,  
"Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,  
and let all the peoples praise him";  
and again Isaiah says,  
"The root of Jesse shall come,  
the one who rises to rule the Gentiles;  
in him the Gentiles shall hope."

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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

### The Holy Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew  
People: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
'Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.'"

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

The Gospel of the Lord  
People: *Praise be to thee. O Christ.*

**The Sermon:** The Rev. Sam Sheridan

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| Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.                             |        |
| People: <i>It is meet and right so to do.</i>                                  |        |

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

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

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 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.*

**Post Communion Prayer**

*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**

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**SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST:**

*Reader/Intercessor:* Linda Donahue

*Usher:* Candace Quinlan.

*Altar Guild:* Susan Gildersleeve

*Flower Guild:* The Immanuel Flower Guild

*Vestry Greeter/Counter:* David Atwood

*Celebrant:* The Rev. Sam Sheridan

*Join us in the Parish Hall for a Reception in honor of*

**THE REV. SAM SHERIDAN**

Let's send him off with a fond farewell, and our blessings.

# IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

## Parish Notes December 4, 2022

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

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

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

**PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS:** Cynthia Morton, Catherine Sinclair, Francine Wargo, Jessi MacLeod, Kenny, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Tony, Daphne, Leo, Nancy Bishop, Ann Huntington, Zuzanna Wise, Rita, Betty Wanamaker, Edith, Joseph, Linda and Cy Murphy, James Henry, John and Louisa Smucker, Ann MacNamara, the Sara Fein family, Norma Taliaferro, and Jim Wise.

**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, Ann Shelly, Ryan, John, Alexandra, Hans, Jessica, Joanne, McQuade Milligan, Reagan, Waide Egner, Betsy and Dave Berry, Peter and Joanne, Mary Muniz, the Rev. Rosa Harper, Jimmy Young, Ryan, Scott Allison, John Corbett, Joseph Fabian, Lydia, Breanné Barnes, Candy Morgan, Nancy Kraus, Jim Rehnke, Lisle Wade, Felicia Balzano, Roy Zartarian, Dr. Nancy Hardison, Denise Comoli, and Connie Smith.

**Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week:** Ellen Gehrs, Auggie Koch, Gerry Anderson, Preston Brown O'Neil, Martha Manson, Lindsey Martin, Ethan Papish, Sarah Glassco, William Albritton, Jim Evans, Kate Groth, Joy McLaughlin, Ryan Rodriguez, Annie Goldsmith, and Liam Kirby.

**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 we recently learned have died:** Debbie Johnstone Knott, daughter of Ginny Johnstone; victims of the Walmart shooting in Chesapeake, VA: Randy Blevins, Fernando Chavez-Barron, Lorenzo Gamble Tyneka Johnson, Brian Pendleton, and Kellie Pyle. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

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Find **CHRISTMAS FAMILIES SIGN-UPS TODAY** in the narthex of Zabriskie and Immanuel Chapels.



**TODAY is the final day** for our Assistant Rector, the Rev. Sam Sheridan, worked for Immanuel.

Next week he starts as Priest-in-Charge of St. Paul's Church in Petersburg, VA.

Let's pray for him as he, his wife the Rev. Mary Margaret Winn, and their newborn son, Mac, make this transition to new jobs in a new city.

# Announcements

## Weekday Worship Opportunities

**MORNING PRAYER @ 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.

**Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m., Zabriskie Chapel**

**Evening Compline, Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom**

## SEEKING NEW VESTRY MEMBERS

Our annual meeting is scheduled for the end of January, and with that, we will elect new Vestry members to begin three-year terms. If you are interested in discussing what Vestry service at Immanuel entails, or if you are feeling called to stand, please contact Father Randy at [ralexander@icoh.net](mailto:ralexander@icoh.net), or Senior Warden Darrell Wilson at [dlwilson729@gmail.com](mailto:dlwilson729@gmail.com).

## Christmas Families Countdown

**DECEMBER 4** is a Sunday bursting with activities, all expressing the spirit of Immanuel.

We are sending off our highly respected and beloved Assistant Rector Sam Sheridan to new adventures on the wings of his faith and the Immanuel Spirit.

**Helpers needed for assigning books between 10 am and 4:30 pm, Parish Hall. Please come for as long as you can during that time. Kids and teens welcome.** Connie Kurz and Laura Snow will lead a whirlwind tour of assigning books to 80+ families in this very limited time (end of the reception for Sam and a sharp stop at 4:30 pm for the Washington Philharmonic practice.) **A light lunch will be served.**

This is the **last day to sign up for a family to provide meaningful gifts for the children.**

In short: 72+ families **192+ children**, 67 signed up, **125+ remaining**. 20 more families coming.

**We need a surge in sign-ups and a strong special collection to take care of all.**

**DECEMBER 10 Sat 9 am - 2 pm** Labeling gifts in Santa's Workshop. 3:30 Preparing the Parish Hall.

**DECEMBER 11 Sun.** Services at 8 and 10:30: **Ingathering and blessing of gifts, Special Collection**

Starting after the 8a service to 3p, Parish Hall. **Wrapping and sorting gifts,**

Ingathering of good used items (clothing, especially warm coats, toys, books, bicycles).

Loading the truck that will take things to Human Services on Monday morning.

**DECEMBER 12 Mon. 9am - 1pm:** Unloading the truck at Human Services (2525 Mt. Vernon Avenue, side entrance on Mt Ida Ave). Checking and arranging bags for the social workers.

**Any time you can give helps.**

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## **Benedictine Community Meeting, Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> @ 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 on the 1st Tuesday online via Zoom, and host a hybrid meeting in the Parish Hall (and online) on the 3rd Tuesday — both days we meet from 7-8 pm.

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, currently *Benedictine Promises for Everyday People: Staying Put, Listening Well, Being Changed by God*, by Rachel Srubas.

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](mailto:Dana.Hengst@gmail.com))

Barbara Fornoff ([cr8vweaver@gmail.com](mailto:cr8vweaver@gmail.com))

David Atwood ([David\\_Atwood@hotmail.com](mailto:David_Atwood@hotmail.com)).

## **Bible Study, Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30 a.m.**

### ***CONNECTING THE GREAT PROPHECIES OF DANIEL AND REVELATION***

No prior participation is necessary; ALL are invited to join in the Bible study on Thursday mornings from 10:30 - noon by Zoom. Come and see! If viewing this on our website, please click the blue text "[Join Bible Study of the Book of Revelations and Daniel via Zoom](#)".

## **NEEDED: SHEEP, ANGELS, COWS, SHEPHERDS, WISE PEOPLE, ELIZABETH, MARY, AND JOSEPH**

Immanuel's annual Christmas Pageant returns on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 5:30pm, and we need to fill our tableau! Kids of all ages are invited to participate in this special Sunday night service at Immanuel Chapel, which will include a Eucharist, and all parishioners are invited to join us for the service. We will have a cookie reception following the Pageant!

**Ready to sign up now? Send an email to Kathryn Jackson Haskin at [Kathryn.jackson41@gmail.com](mailto:Kathryn.jackson41@gmail.com) with your children's names and ages.**

Costumes will be available before the 10:30am service on December 11th and the day of the pageant, and we will have one rehearsal for readers/speaking roles before the 18th. For all other participants, just show up by 4:00pm on December 18<sup>th</sup> at Immanuel Chapel, and we'll make it work!

If you're interested in helping to organize the pageant or the reception afterwards, please contact Kathryn Jackson Haskin ([Kathryn.jackson41@gmail.com](mailto:Kathryn.jackson41@gmail.com)) to volunteer.

## **MEALS ON WHEELS (MOW) UPDATE**

Now that the pandemic has subsided, just to let you know the Immanuel MOW ministry has been up and running for the past 3 months. We are in need of additional volunteers as some of our veterans have left the rolls of drivers and deliverers. The mission of MOW is simple, to deliver wholesome meals to seniors and other homebound folks in Alexandria who are otherwise unable to venture out and shop or are resource-limited. The effort is sponsored by the Senior Services Center of Alexandria; the meals are provided by Jeffrey's Catering on Wheeler Avenue. This ministry requires 2 hours a month; Immanuel participates on the third Friday of every month. Typically, MOW Teams consist of a driver and a deliverer. If you are interested, please contact Doug Henry at [ddhenry1@gmail.com](mailto:ddhenry1@gmail.com) or capture his attention after church.

## SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY AND FELLOWSHIP

Saturday 12-10 (concert  
is at 2:00pm)

**Joy of Christmas concert by the  
Cathedral Choral Society**

We will go by van to the Cathedral, leaving Zabriskie at 12:30pm, stopping at Goodwin House for pick up, and we will be returning via Goodwin House, arriving at Zabriskie no later than 5:30. Concert tickets are \$20 and there is a \$20 copay to ride on the bus. Reservations are required and there are only 14 tickets for this event. Call or email Karen Besser.

Tuesday 12-20 at noon

**Festive lunch and carol sing  
with Dr. Jane Tavernier at the Parish Hall**

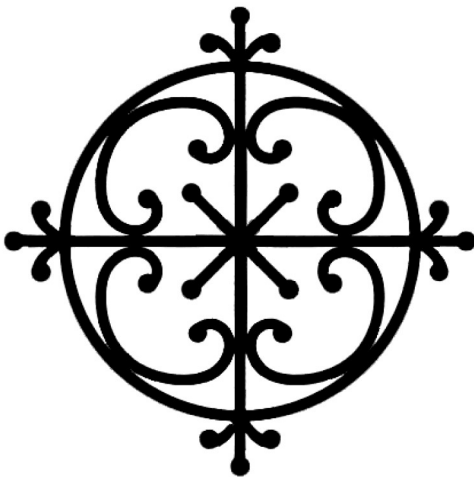
There is no cost for this activity, but reservations are required. Call or email Karen Besser at [Karen.Besser@gmail.com](mailto:Karen.Besser@gmail.com)

Wednesday 12-21 at noon

**Goodwin House lunch and carol sing  
with members of the Immanuel choir**

**CHRISTMAS FAMILIES BIKE MINISTRY:** An integral part of the Christmas Families program has always been the William Frye bicycle ministry. Good used bikes are collected and repaired, if necessary, to be given to the children that were referred to us through a program with the Alexandria Department of Community and Human Services. This ministry was started many, many years ago by our parishioner, the late Bill Frye. We have bikes that have been donated (with more to come) and we have a workshop where the bikes are stored and the work can be completed but we do not have someone to lead the program or enough team members to work on repairing the bikes (knowledgeable team members will teach you how).

If this is something that you feel called to do, please contact Dagobert Soergel ([ds@dsoergel.com](mailto:ds@dsoergel.com)), Linda Serabian ([serabian@somaarchitects.com](mailto:serabian@somaarchitects.com)) or Dorothy Kellogg ([djaskellogg@gmail.com](mailto:djaskellogg@gmail.com)).



You are Cordially Invited to the  
**Service of Lessons & Carols**  
with Presentation of the  
**Dean's Cross for Servant Leadership**  
Sunday, December 11, 2022  
Service, 4:30 p.m., Immanuel Chapel

Please join

**THE IMMANUEL CHOIR**

for

a presentation of a service of

# *Lessons and Carols*

**Sunday, December 11th at the 10:30a.m. Eucharist**

Lessons and Carols are offered for Advent or Christmas with a combination of scripture, hymns and special music for the season. This year the choir is singing music by Waddell, Andre Thomas, and Bainton among others. The carols are interspersed with hymns and scripture readings which reflect the joy and anticipation of Christmas.

Listen to and sing favorite hymns and anthems for the season as we prepare for the celebration of the birth of Christ.



## CHRISTMAS FAMILIES SPECIAL COLLECTION December 11<sup>th</sup>

*And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'* (Matthew 25:40)

For a long time a strong and faithful commitment of bringing the good news of Christmas in a very tangible form that manifests God's inclusive love for all and raises hope has been woven into the fabric of Immanuel. Christmas Families has evolved into a multi-pronged program of several activities all serving one purpose: To bring Christ's transformative and comforting presence into the world, letting God's people know that somebody cares, and giving toys and science kits and books to learn and grow with.

First is the opportunity for **parishioners to sign up to provide toys for a family in need**. The families are referred to us by the **Alexandria Department of Community and Human Services** (72 families with 192 children, more to come). The Christmas Families team, acting for the whole parish, buys gifts for the families who are not "adopted" and some additional families referred to us by the **Lazarus** refugee ministry and by the **New Hope Housing** organization that resettles families after a shelter stay. These gifts will be wrapped and sorted in the Parish Hall on Dec. 11. We will help families referred to us until close to Christmas.

But there is much more. **Books are so important**. Under the leadership of Connie Kurz and Laura Snow, we get books for all the families referred to us and the **Community Lodgings** after-school programs. And we give to each of the 140 children in the **CFNC (Child and Family Network Centers)** preschools one copy of Anno's Counting Book and one of 500 Words / 500 Palabras (small format paperback, for each word a picture and text in English and Spanish).

In our long-standing collaboration with the **Lazarus** refugee ministry coordinated by Christ Church (Melanie Gray), we provided 240 fleece blankets for children to cuddle with. (Christ Church raised over \$30,000 to provide substantial gift cards to Target and Giant for each family). In addition, Christ Church will have last-minute referrals of approximately 10 families.

In a joint effort of Christmas Families and our expanded social justice and criminal justice ministry, we support the **Offender Aid and Restoration (OAR, <https://www.oaronline.org/>)** with their Project Winter Cheer for gift cards to children of incarcerated people, with \$1,500.

**We cannot do all of this on a dime. Please be generous on December 11!**

Checks can be made out to Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill, marked XFAM, in the collection plate or sent to the office.

**The Christmas Families team makes each dollar go far**. Linda got the fleece blankets for just under \$10, regular \$26.99. These purchases earned \$500 in Kohl's cash for more baby and other toys. Every year, Connie Kurz and Laura Snow make a trip to the Green Valley Bookfair to buy good books at a steep discount. Anno's Counting Book and 500 Words are staples in our book ministry. Every three years or so we buy 500 copies of each, the minimum to get a 50% discount from the publisher. Whenever we find an exceptional bargain, we buy enough for two or three years. Laura Snow, Candy Levine, and Brooke Roberts make beautiful outfits for purchased dolls. Others restore used bicycles. So many people contribute their talents to spreading God's love.

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We are off to a good start in collecting commitments in our Every Member Pledge Campaign. If you have not yet pledged you may do so easily through a number of options:

- 1) dropping your pledge card in the offering plate,
- 2) mailing it back to the office,
- 3) pledging online through our website, or
- 4) contacting our Treasurer, Tom Hewson, at 703.370.6555 ext. 208, or [thewson@icoh.net](mailto:thewson@icoh.net).

As of December 1<sup>st</sup>, we have 88 pledges totaling \$472,212.

In this season of thanksgiving, may we be eager to return a measure of the gifts with which we have been blessed towards God's service and for the life and ministry of our beloved Church.

## ADVENT AND CHRISTMASTIDE AT IMMANUEL



### 2022

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|             | 8:00 a.m.  | Gaudete Sunday Holy Eucharist Rite I                                      | Zabriskie Chapel   |
| December 11 | 10:30 a.m. | Gaudete Sunday with Advent Lessons and Carols, and Holy Eucharist Rite II | Immanuel Chapel  |
| December 18 | 5:30 p.m.  | Children's Christmas Pageant  | Immanuel Chapel  |
| December 21 | 6:30 p.m.  | Christmas Caroling, followed by refreshments at VTS                       | Seminary Hill Neighborhood                               |
| December 24 | 5:00 p.m.  | Festival Holy Eucharist Rite II with Brass                                | Immanuel Chapel<br><i>(and livestreamed via YouTube)</i> |
|             | 10:30 p.m. | Midnight Mass Rite II   | Immanuel Chapel  |
| December 25 | 11:00 a.m. | Christmas Day Holy Eucharist, Rite II                                     | Zabriskie Chapel   |

### 2023

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| January 1 | 11:00 a.m. | New Year's Day Holy Eucharist, Rite II                                   | Zabriskie Chapel   |
| January 8 | 8:00 a.m.  | The Feast of the Epiphany ( <i>transferred</i> ) Holy Eucharist, Rite I  | Zabriskie Chapel   |
|           | 10:30 a.m. | The Feast of the Epiphany ( <i>transferred</i> ) Holy Eucharist, Rite II | Immanuel Chapel<br><i>(and livestreamed via YouTube)</i> |

# CHRISTMAS GREENS, FLOWERS and SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MUSIC DEDICATIONS

This Christmas season you are invited to make a donation to help offset the cost of our Christmas greens and flowers, and/or the special music at our Christmas Eucharists. To make a memorial or thanksgiving donation for a loved one, or to make a thanksgiving dedication for some blessing, please complete and send this form along with your check to the Parish Office or place it in the alms box in the narthex. Names will be printed in our Christmas bulletins for all donations received **by noon on WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14TH**. Please print all names very clearly, or email names to [DEDICATIONS@ICOH.NET](mailto:DEDICATIONS@ICOH.NET). Any amount is welcome and appreciated.



**GREENS/FLOWERS:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Given by:

Phone Number: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

In Thanksgiving for: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_



**SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MUSIC: GENERAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Given by:

Phone Number: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

In Thanksgiving for: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

## *Christmas Brass Quartet at Immanuel*

*Please indicate your special gift below with a checkmark .*

Brass **SPONSOR \$100**

Brass **PATRON \$200**

Given by:

Phone Number: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill**

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November 26 until sold out

*Fridays 5 pm - 8 pm*

*Saturdays 10 am - 6 pm*

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## ***Is Your Photo Current?*** **Let's Update Our Parish Directory!**

If you and your family took photos over the Thanksgiving holiday, we'd love for you to share them with us — especially if your current photo in our parish directory is out of date.

In addition, please review your listing in our online directory to make sure that your data is current — especially telephone numbers and addresses. Thank you all!

## CLERGY AND STAFF

|   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. (ralexander@icoh.net) | Rector               |
| The Rev. Susan D. Parsons (sparsons@icoh.net)             | Associate Rector     |
| The Rev. Sam Sheridan (ssheridan@icoh.net)                | Assistant Rector     |
| Dr. Jane Tavernier (jtavernier@icoh.net)                  | Director of Music    |
| Janettarose Greene (JGreene@vts.edu)                      | Seminarian           |
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| Sughra Bakhtiari (sbakhtiari@icoh.net)                    | Bookkeeper           |
| Aleta Y. Powell (apowell@icoh.net)                        | Parish Administrator |
| Gilma Balcarcel   | Nursery Coordinator  |
| Stuart Dahlinger  | Sexton               |

## THE VESTRY

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Darrell Wilson        | Senior Warden   |
| Kristi Kubista-Hovis  | Junior Warden: Administration                                 |
| 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)                       |
| The Rev. Sam Sheridan | Register (nonvoting member)                                   |

### SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

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

10:00 a.m. Children's Chapel, Side Oratory Chapel  
inside of Immanuel Chapel

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

#### *Online*

[www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org](http://www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org)  
[Immanuel's YouTube channel](#)

### PRIESTS ASSOCIATE

The Rev. Dr. J. Barney Hawkins, IV  
The Rev. Dr. Ruthanna Hooke  
The Rev. Jan A. Maas  
The Rev. John R. Smucker  
The Rev. Dr. Francis H. Wade

### RECTOR EMERITA

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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