

Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 7, 2024

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

Page numbers refer to The Book of Common Prayer.

THE WORD OF GOD

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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity p. 323

Glory be to God on high p. 324

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery hast established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through 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: Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

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

Psalm 133 Ecce, quam bonum!

- Oh, how good and pleasant it is, * when brethren live together in unity!
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the head * that runs down upon the beard,
- 3 Upon the beard of Aaron, * and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- 4 It is like the dew of Hermon * that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- 5 For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: * life for evermore.

The Epistle: 1 John 1:1-2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life -- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

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

The Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

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

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

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

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

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

The Gospel of the Lord

Response: Praise be to thee, O Lord.

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

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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.
With the Father and the Son he 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.

The Prayers of the People

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

Confession of Sin and Absolution

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Peace

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

People: And with thy spirit.

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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 p. 334

Celebrant and People Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.

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

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.

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.

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

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

Clergy: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST: *Reader/Intercessor*: Chip Coakley

Usher: Tom Brown

Flower Guild: Connie Kurz

Coffee Hour Host: Sujatha Augustine *Celebrant*: The Rev. Sarah Spurlock Biggs

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL Parish Notes April 7, 2024

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).

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS: Gilma Balcarcel, Philip and Colette Brown, 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, Jean Williams, Ryan Willis, and Richard Zitelli.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Elizabeth Anderson, Anderson Davis, Becky McCann, Celina Stewart, Bridget Beckmann, Anna Biache, Hayden Wagner, Jonah Wagner, Father Randy, Jim Clausen, Chris Rodriguez, Scott Warlick, Maria Burke, Tyler Gehrs, Conner Parks, Anton Kubista, Montie Martin, and Isabelle Young-Smith.

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

Wednesday "*Bearing Witness*" Series 6:30-8:00 PM, The Upper Room, Zabriskie Chapel

Please join us in learning about, and discussing, the Christian ministry of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land in this time of challenge, heartbreak, and hope.

These sessions, led by Fr. Randy, were organized by the American Friends of the Diocese of Jerusalem. They are scripturally based, focusing on themes of belonging, healing, teaching, breaking barriers, and building hope, as illustrated via short videos about the ministry and hope offered by Palestinian Christians to their neighbors, regardless of faith, and structured around a Bible reflection each week by a Palestinian or American priest, followed by our own personal reflections and reactions. While the focus is not the current situation in Israel, Gaza, and the West Bank, this will no doubt be part of some of the personal reflection and discussion.

For questions and/or more information, contact Father Randy (ralexander@icoh.net) or David Attwood.

Announcements

WEEKDAY WORSHIP AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES All are welcome to participate

Morning Prayer returns Tuesday, April 9th @ 10:00 a.m., Zabriskie Chapel

Noonday Holy Eucharist Rite II, Wednesday, April 10th, Zabriskie Chapel

Weekly Bible Study "The Gospel of Matthew: Book of the Messiah" resumes Thursday, April 11th @10:30 a.m. online via Zoom.

Look for login details in your weekly eBlast email.

Evening Compline, Friday, April 12th @ 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!

TODAY: Confirmation Class and EYC

Don't forget to join us for a Confirmation class today from 4-5:30p.m. in the Fairchild Room, followed by EYC Youth Group Dinner and Meeting from 5:30-7:00p.m. in the Zabriskie parish hall.

Questions? Contact Rev. Sarah directly at sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net.

EASY WAY TO SIGN UP: APRIL-MAY

Sign up to Serve in our Sunday Services <u>through Pentecost</u> 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 <u>SignUp Genius</u> for Immanuel by visiting the landing page of our website at <u>www.ICOH.net</u> and <u>clicking on the red button at left</u>. If you're a student — or planning Summer travel — feel free to sign-up for the Feast of Pentecost *only*.



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. Finally, if you need training for a particular ministry, please send a request to Mother Susan at 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!

GUEST PREACHER ONLINE APRIL 14th Hear Archbishop of Jerusalem Preach in the US, livestreamed 8 and 10 AM.

Former Immanuel parishioner,
Archbishop of Jerusalem Hosam
Naoum, will preach at Christ Church,
Greenwich, Connecticut next Sunday, and
then answer questions in a forum hour
afterwards — all livestreamed to those
who register ahead of time for the video
link, per the announcement below from
the American Friends of the Episcopal
Diocese of Jerusalem.

Registration for the livestream link is available online by finding this bulletin online under "Worship Service Bulletins" under the "Worship" tab at www.icoh.net and clicking the graphic at right.



MONTHLY SATURDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY

Saturday, APRIL 20th, 8:00 AM Held Online via Zoom

Join Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study on Saturday, April 20th 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.

Join Zoom Saturday Breakfast Bible Study Meeting / Meeting ID: 959 5450 6553 /Passcode: 027913

HELP WANTED: St. Michaels, Arlington Needs a Part-time PA: St. Michaels Episcopal, Arlington, VA is looking for a part-time Parish Administrator for immediate hire. We are a vibrant, inclusive church community (ca. 200 members of all ages) serving Arlington since 1948. We believe that wise administration and stewardship of the resources given to us by God are essential for the welfare of the parish and its people. Responsibilities include financial, administrative, and office management tasks.

The right candidate will thrive as the primary point of contact at the church, ideally 3-4 days per week, 3-4 hours per day (we are open to flexible scheduling). This will be an hourly position (\$24-28 per hour, commensurate with experience). This work includes, but is not limited to: data and records management, phone and email support, supplies and inventory management, communications work, managing the church calendar, supporting church ministries and committees, and collaborating with volunteers.

For more information and to apply, contact Vicki Barnett directly at Victoria.j.barnett@gmail.com.



ALL ARE INVITED! COME TO A FESTIVE THANK YOU RECEPTION!

Help Honor Zabriskie Society Parishioners

All are welcome to enjoy a fun and festive thank you reception on **Saturday**, **April 20**, **4-6 p.m**., in Scott Lounge on the VTS campus.

We will honor and thank parishioners who are Zabriskie Society members and have made a commitment to remember Immanuel in their will, estate plans, or as a beneficiary of their insurance policy, financial account or through other ways.

Enjoy lively music, hors d'oeuvres, and a chef-made dessert created just for this festive occasion. No cost; no ask; and no pressure.

All Zabriskie Society members are invited along with their guests and loved ones, parishioners wanting to celebrate and thank them, and those who'd like to find out more, and just enjoy a fun time!

We need to know you are coming! Please RSVP as soon as possible to Danette (Dani) Kauffman, <u>danettekauffman@starpower.net</u> or to Kerry Kelly Wade at <u>kerrykellywade@gmail.com</u>.



CLERGY AND STAFF

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. (ralexander@icoh.net)	Rector
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Peter Kent	Junior Warden: Administration
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-SmithYouth 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

Online

www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org Immanuel's YouTube channel

PRIESTS ASSOCIATE

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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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