

Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 13, 2022

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

Page numbers refer to The Book of Common Prayer.

With the exception of infants and toddlers, all are requested to wear a face mask for the entirety of the service.

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation p. 323

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 p. 323

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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.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in thee: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature, we can do no good thing without thee, give us the help of thy grace, that in keeping thy commandments we may please thee both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 17:5-10

Thus says the Lord:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert,

and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,

in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord.

whose trust is the Lord.

They shall be like a tree planted by water,

sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes,

and its leaves shall stay green;

in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse-who can understand it?

I the Lord test the mind
and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1 Beatus vir qui non abiit

- Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, * nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- Their delight is in the law of the Lord, * and they meditate on his law day and night.
- They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; * everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; * they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, * nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, * but the way of the wicked is doomed.

The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ--whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

The word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 6:17-26

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke

Response: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,

for yours is the kingdom of God.

"Blessed are you who are hungry now,

for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,

for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,

for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

The Gospel of the Lord

Response: *Praise be to thee, O Lord*.

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

The Nicene Creed p. 326

The Prayers of the People

After the words "Jesus, light of the world," the congregation responds with "*Hear our prayer*."

Confession of Sin and Absolution

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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.

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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

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The Lord's Prayer

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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.

Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

The Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST: Reader: Janettarose Greene

Intercessor: The Rev. Shawn Rutledge

Flower Guild: Martha Manson

Usher: Nikki Perry

Celebrant: The Rev. Susan D. Parsons

Lenten Retreat

What would we say to the people of Orphalese?

Holy Cross Abbey, Berryville, Virginia April 1-3, 2022

In our tightly scheduled lives with many pressures and distractions, time for reflection, quiet, and spaciousness is rare. To take a break from the many demands of modern life, observe Lent, and find opportunities to listen to God, participate in Immanuel's Lenten Retreat from Friday evening, April 1, through the noon meal on Sunday, April 3.

Based in part on reflections from Khalil Gibran's The Prophet (NY, 1923), this Lenten retreat will examine categories such as Love, Pain, Self-Knowledge, Prayer, and Death and wonder how these enormous concepts fit into our narrative of the world. Do our definitions of important and ambiguous concepts shape how we see the wilderness of Lent? Or do we let Lent shape how we understand the world? There will be time for reflection, for contemplation, for journaling. There will be space for setting aside some of the chaos of our lives for just a little while to check in with ourselves and how we describe the world these days. The biggest, most important, things to think about often get squeezed to the margins as something more immediate crops up almost every day. Let us pause and consider what we really think about the things people wonder about.

Then let us imagine... If we were sailing away, what would we tell the people we've lived with? How would we describe the journey we've all been on?

The Rev. Sam Sheridan, assistant priest, Immanuel Church-on-the Hill, will lead the retreat which begins Friday afternoon, April 1, shortly before the evening meal and will end after the noon meal on Sunday, April 3. The retreat will be at Holy Cross Abbey, Berryville, Virginia, which is an hour and fifteen-minute drive from our church. For more information on the monastery, see their website https://www.virginiatrappists.org/about/.

The \$350.00 registration fee includes all materials, comfortable accommodations, individual rooms each with a bathroom, and all meals. **Registrations cannot be accepted after February 25th.**

The Abbey asks that all retreatants be vaccinated for COVID and wear masks whenever they are not in their rooms. Please send proof of vaccination with your registration form. All Abbey staff are vaccinated and wear masks as they work. To assist in social distancing, the retreat house is limiting registrations to half capacity.

Two scholarships given in memory of Charles Willis are available; please contact the rector for scholarship assistance. If you receive a scholarship, please complete a registration form and indicate that you have a scholarship.

Registration is limited to seven people; please reserve your space using the form on <u>page seven</u> of this bulletin. If you have questions about retreat logistics, please contact Mary Ann Rehnke, <u>mfrb2695@gmail.com</u> or 703-989-2159.



First person registering for retreat



Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

LENTEN RETREAT

Holy Cross Abbey Retreat House April 1-3, 2022

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Please make check payable to Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill and include Lenten Retreat on the check. Return this form, your check, and a copy of your vaccination card to the Immanuel Church office, 3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, Virginia 22304 by February 25. Please put Lenten Retreat on the envelope.

If you need to cancel your registration and there is no one on the waiting list who can take your place, Holy Cross Abbey retains the \$75.00 per room deposit. All but \$75.00 of your registration fee would be returned to you.

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL Parish Notes February 13, 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.

For the latest information on our online worship service and to view a video of our most recent service, please visit our website (www.icoh.net).

Learn more about us at www.icoh.net.

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS: Aggie Fortune, Ann MacNamara, Bruce Morton, Catherine Sinclair, Eloise Payne, Francine Wargo, Jessi MacLeod, Kenny, Linda and Cy Murphy, Lucy, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Susan Wiard, Tony, and Daphne.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Alice Meyer, Arsine Oshagan, Charlotte Kellogg, Dana De Cecco, Dorothy Phanuef, George Rustigian, Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Ben Hoge, Louise Jackson, Lloyd Chenoweth, Marjean Smith, Mildred Alexander, Paul, Rowena and Don Lynch, Steve Davis, Stephen Miller, Sue Rehnke, Ann Shelly, Sarah Minor, Tom Dollard, Jim McClane, Edith and Joseph, Ryan, Sandy Ford, Elizabeth, Mr. and Mrs. Bird, John, McQuade Milligan, Jen Orvis, Bea Paine, Phyllis Crawley, Jim Paine, Jack Haberle, and Nancy Adams.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Janettarose Greene, Caroline Hicks, Connor Lease, Caroline Bergmark, Isabel Frye, Katherine Hussey, Virginia Byron, Nolan Enright, Henry Page, Allen Smith, Bill Bertles, Sue Hurn, Ariyani Balcarcel, Rollin Huntington, Pierre Shostal, and Charlie Willard.

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

Those who have recently died: Percy Sunderaj Frederick, brother of Quintus "Freddy" Frederick and paternal uncle of Sujatha Augustine; Marianne Coates, friend of Rosi Urbine, John Bednar and others at Immanuel; Boris Wise, loved one of The Wise Family; Marine Corporal Victor Varelamartinez, Marine Lance Corporal Bailey SpencerHoover, Navy Seaman Kyle Mullen, Police Sergeant Chris Jenkins Officer, and Police Captain Collin Birnie. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them*.

Solar Project Update: Get Ready! After a number of delays on the part of our contractor, Sustainable Energy Solutions (SES), we have been advised that the building permit package for the solar array installation and other elements of the system infrastructure is complete and has been submitted to the City of Alexandria for review. The City has a policy of a 30 day review of such documents, which suggests a mid-February decision on their part assuming no issues arise. The earliest the project would start is late February, and once the installation begins it should be complete in 10-14 days barring any weather delays. If past history is any indication, it will commence more than likely in March. The good news is the solar panels are in storage locally and, thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, we have more than sufficient funds to cover the next progress payment to SES, which is due 30 days prior to installation. Answers to "Frequently Asked Questions" about the project can be found on Immanuel's website under Creation Care Ministry at https://www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org/creation-care-ministry.html.

Announcements

New Family Service: THE JOY MASS, Begins Today, February 13th 9:00 a.m., Zabriskie Chapel

Initially this brief eucharistic service is intended for *families with children who may be too young to be vaccinated*, or even too young to wear masks. The homily and music will be designed for children, and will not replace or conflict with Godly Play or online Sunday School videos.

Join us for the Wednesday Evening Holy Eucharist Rite II February 16th at 6:30p.m, Zabriskie Chapel

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH @ 6:30 PM: SOCIAL JUSTICE BOOK STUDY: Just Mercy

We have officially begun our 9-10 week conversation on <u>Just Mercy</u> by Bryan Stephenson as the next book to help tie our Social Justice discussions with Immanuel's Criminal Justice Initiative. If you missed our introductory conversation that's 100% okay! We're reading Chapters 4 and 5 for this week. We'll try to do two chapters a week unless the consensus is that it's going either much too fast or much too slow.

We'd love for you to join us as we explore building a vocabulary and theology around the idea that what happens to incarcerated people should matter to us as Christians. This particular book is largely a story about a man who was ultimately exonerated and rescued from Death Row, but it is also a launching point for some hard discussions about how our society treats people in prison—and how imprisonment impacts the families and communities of the incarcerated.

BIBLE STUDY this Thursday, February 17th @ 10:30 a.m. The Epistle of James

All are welcome to share in this exploration of James -- no prior study or participation necessary. We meet Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to noon online via Zoom -- look for login information in your weekly eBlast email

Just bring your Bible (or an online version such as <u>Bible Gateway here</u>) and a heart open to the idea that we are meant learn from one another, that we are a people called to learn about God's love in community. You most certainly can just listen, but your witness, experience, thoughts, and beliefs are just as important and valuable as anyone else's!

Evening Compline, Friday, February 18th, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY This Saturday, February 19th: Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study will be February 19, the third Saturday. We will meet online via Zoom (link and info available on our webpage and via our weekly eBlast) beginning at 8 a.m. Our theme this year is Gratitude; this month we will read Psalm 100, using the African Model of Reflection. For more information, please contact Chrissie Crosby at cmcfaddencrosby@gmail.com.

Confirmation Class In Fairchild Room AND on Zoom Next Sunday, February 20th @ 12:15 p.m.

This hybrid Confirmation class is our final history lesson!!! What is Anglicanism? How did Episcopalians come out of that? Who was Absalom Jones? Why do we ordain women? How did the Church finally decide to affirm, celebrate, and bless the marriages of LGBTQ+ people? This is all the recent history stuff that, when we do a truly "adult" confirmation class, will be almost everything anyone is interested in asking about—making it super appropriate and interesting for even teenagers who are not in confirmation. We hope to see your teenager there or logged on!

To log on, visit our website, under the "Worship" tab, click "Worship Service Bulletins", find this copy of parish notes and click the blue text "Confirmation Class on Zoom HERE", then enter:

• Meeting ID: 869 2507 7936

• Passcode: 902473

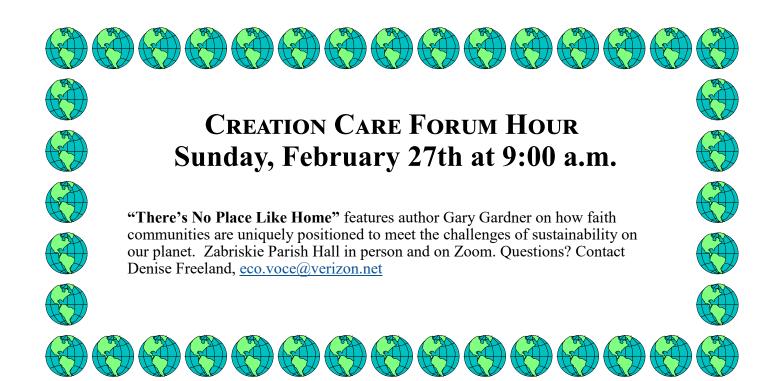
SENIOR MINISTRY EVENTS RESUME IN FEBRUARY: If we are able to resume our events in February, Senior Adult Ministry and Fellowship is sponsoring a trip to the *National Building Museum* in Washington, DC on Monday, February 21st (the President's Day holiday). This trip includes a visit to the exhibit *Play/Work/Build* and provides a special opportunity to bring grandchildren of all ages (and parents) along for a fun and educational activity. To get a sense of the exhibit, enjoy the brief YouTube video at https://www.nbm.org/exhibition/play-work-build. The museum has several permanent and temporary exhibits including *House & Home* and the *Gun Violence Memorial Project*.

To join us February 21st, meet us at the van in the Zabriskie parking lot at 10:00 a.m; we plan to be back no later than 1:45 p.m. Tickets to the museum are \$5, and there will be a \$10 copay to ride in the van. A healthy snack will be available before we leave Immanuel and pizza and sandwiches will be waiting when we return. I have only 24 tickets for this event, so please RSVP as soon as possible. Masks must be worn inside the Museum at this time.

To RSVP, contact Karen Besser at: karen.besser@gmail.com or call the parish office at (703) 370-6555 and press "9" to leave your reservation via voicemail.



GRIEF AND SUPPORT GROUP MEETING RETURNS TO THE FAIRCHILD ROOM Wednesday, February 23rd @ 7:15 p.m.,
The Fairchild Room



Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

One of our ongoing, and sometimes overlooked, responses to the pandemic is that your clergy and seminarians are available to make house calls. We live in well-founded hope that this surge may be the last time we need to go online-only again. However, that doesn't mean that the surge will dissipate and everyone will immediately want to go out in public, everything normal and hunky-dory. At this time of particular high transmissibility, and as the whole world moves navigates new and different phases of mitigating and living with this virus, we want to be as flexible and available to you as possible. If you cannot make it to church, we can schedule a time to bring some church to you. If your living arrangements don't allow visitors we can come to windows and doors, make phone calls, text messages, and zoom meetings. If you want some time during the week to pray in your church, we can probably help navigate that.

There are, in short, options. Now, or in the months to come, if there is any reason you are unable to come to church or want to participate in the eucharist in some way or need someone to talk to: we are here for you. We invite you to reach out to us. We want you to know, in all the ways, that you are a member of this community.

In Christ, Your clergy; Randy, July and San

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Mollie Lambert Darrell Wilson

Kathy Lloyd

SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel 3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 9:00 a.m. Family Holy Eucharist, Zabriskie Chapel 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Immanuel Chapel 3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

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

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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

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