



Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 4, 2022

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

Page numbers refer to [The Book of Common Prayer](#) (the small red book with a cross).

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 of Purity

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Trisagion

*Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.*

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.

Grant us, O Lord, we pray thee, to trust in thee with all our heart; seeing that, as thou dost alway resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so thou dost not forsake those who make their boast of thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 18:1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the

inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17 *Domine, probasti*

- 1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you, *
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book; *
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *
how great is the sum of them!
- 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; *
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

The Epistle: Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier,
and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love-- and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother-- especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

The Holy Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

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

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

The Gospel of the Lord

People: *Praise be to thee. O Christ.*

The Sermon: The Rev. Sam Sheridan

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People

After the words "Hear us Lord,"
the congregation responds with "*For your mercy is great.*"

Confession of Sin and Absolution

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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

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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.

We are now able to offer Communion in both kinds.

To receive the consecrated Bread only, kindly extend one outstretched hand, palm up.

To receive the consecrated Bread intincted in the Wine, please extend both hands, palms up.

Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

The Dismissal

The flowers on the Altar in are given to the Glory of God by Anne MacNamara in loving memory of Lawrence and Margaret MacNamara, Lawrence MacNamara Jr., and Miss. Helen C. Angle.

SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST: *Reader:* Linda Donahue
Usher: David Atwood
Altar Guild: Susan Gildersleeve
Flower Guild: Sally Guy Brown
AV Technician: John Bednar
Vestry Greeter and Counter: David Atwood
Celebrant: The Rev. Jan A. Maas

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL
Parish Notes
September 4, 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).

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS: Ann MacNamara, Cynthia Morton, Catherine Sinclair, Francine Wargo, Jessi MacLeod, Kenny, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Susan Wiard, Tony, Daphne, Leo, Nancy Bishop, Ann Huntington, Pam Willard, Zuzanna Wise, Breanné Barnes, John Corbett, and Jackie Phillips.

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, Sarah Minor, Edith and Joseph, Ryan, John, Alexandra, Hans, Jessica, Joanne, McQuade Milligan, Reagan, Waide Egener, Betsy and Dave Berry, Peter and Joanne, Mary Muniz, Linda and Cy Murphy, the Rev. Rosa Harper, Louise Jackson, Jimmy Young, Margaret Chenoweth, Ryan, Scott Allison, Joseph Fabian, Lydia, Candy Morgan, and Nancy Kraus.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Diane Adams, Linda Hawkins, Casey Kane, Ralph Fairbank, Casey Konvalinka, Suhaila Patiño, Carroll Phillips, Jonathan Anderson, and Cora John.

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.

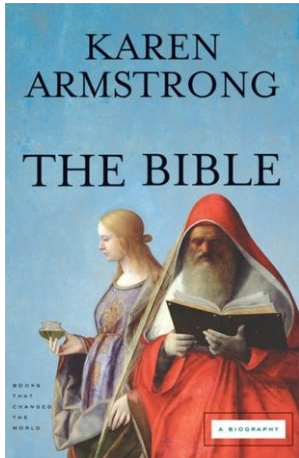
Parish Office closed on Monday, September 5th in observance of Labor Day.



Announcements

Wednesday Evening Holy Eucharist Rite II, September 7th @ 6:30 p.m., Zabriskie Chapel

Thursday, September 8th @ 10:30 AM: NEW Book Study: "The Bible: A Biography" by Karen Armstrong



Please consider joining the NEW book study of "The Bible: A Biography" by acclaimed historian Karen Armstrong, on Thursday mornings from 10:30 - noon by Zoom.

In what has been called "one terrific little book," Armstrong challenges many incorrect modern assumptions about the Bible as she discusses its conception, development, and interpretation through changing times.

"While there are countless guides to reading the Bible, noted academic Karen Armstrong looks at the history of the book with a keen historian's eye. ... Armstrong condenses into a manageable volume the many ideas and traditions that influenced the creation of the Good Book." —Kirkus Reviews

Look for login information in your weekly eBlast; or locate this bulletin on our website www.icoh.net, select "Worship Service Bulletins" under the worship tab, open the Announcements and Parish Notes, then click the blue text "[Join The Bible: A Biography Zoom Meeting](#)."

*All EYC Leaders, Sunday School Teachers, Godly Play Instructors, And Anyone Interested in
CYF Ministry at Immanuel At All*

**Join Father Sam for Dinner Thursday, September 8th @ 6:00 p.m. At VTS Pub 1823
To Talk Plans for Formation For the Year**

We've moved out of the phase of pandemic recovery where we have to assume our plans will change, so we can plan a lot further out than we've been able to the past two years! We have not, however, escaped the situation where we have a great number of kiddos in two age groups and a great number of age groups with either one or two or no kiddos at all. The unique challenges of making sure our children are being formed, included, and loved in a community that wants to support them whatever configurations they are in is a wonderful opportunity for all of us to figure out how to give the best parts of Christian witness to the next generation! Come talk about what you want to do, are willing to do, and what you're looking forward to this year 😊

Evening Compline, Friday, September 9th, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

**COME HEAR THE VIRGINIA INTERFAITH CENTER FOR PUBLIC POLICY (VICPP) TALK
ABOUT FAITH PERSPECTIVES ON BIPARTISAN CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM:
FORUM HOUR, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 9:15 A.M., PARISH HALL**

Salim Khalfani, VICPP's Congregational Lead for Criminal Justice Reform, will be here in person to talk about the importance of improving the criminal justice system in Virginia; faith community priorities for criminal justice reform in the upcoming January 2023 General Assembly session, including limiting solitary confinement and assuring legal representation at first court appearance; VICPP's ongoing dialogue with members of both parties on these issues; and how you can help bring about bipartisan change. Members of other Alexandria places of worship will be joining us.

Senior Adult Luncheon Update and Event

GOODWIN HOUSE

We are hoping to resume Our monthly Senior Ministry and Fellowship luncheon at Goodwin House soon. Please watch for announcements.

CHOCOLATE CANDY MAKING - September 24th

No van this month! Instead, Senior Adult Ministry and Fellowship will be meeting in the parish hall and the adjacent kitchen to create chocolate candies to be sold at the Pumpkin Patch in October. Join us on Saturday, **September 24, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00p.m.** If you can use a microwave, you might spend some time melting the different colors of chocolate. If you prefer to be seated, you will be piping chocolate into molds or wielding a small paint brush to give the pumpkins, autumn leaves, or ghosts a little color-contrast detail. Finally, we'll be wrapping the cooled candy in boxes and wrappers, ready to be priced and sold. No need to commit to the entire three hours; just come for as long as you are able.



Come and help prepare an exciting new offering for the Pumpkin Patch. Remember, 100% of the proceeds from the sale of things that we make ourselves at Immanuel goes straight to Patch profit and then out into the community via the organizations designated by our Outreach Committee. So, all hands to the chocolate! Please contact Karen Besser at karen.besser@gmail.com.

IMMANUEL IS HOSTING A BLOOD DRIVE!

We are partnering with INOVA Hospital to host a blood drive on **Saturday, November 12, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Zabriskie parking lot.** In order to hold this date, **we need to start gathering interest now!** Please express your interest by filling out your name, email, and phone number in [this form](https://forms.gle/qXFSSxVEaR9qEYw46) (<https://forms.gle/qXFSSxVEaR9qEYw46>), or by contacting **Katherine Maas** at katherinemaas@gmail.com. In September, we'll kick our campaign into high gear with an appointment sign-up link, but we do need to know now if you are interested.

Blood drives are a wonderful way to help our community—**one in seven people** entering the hospital need blood and a single car accident victim can require as many as **100 pints of blood.** The blood from our drive will likely be used within 48 hours after it ends. Please see recently updated **eligibility guidance** [here](https://www.inovablood.org/donate-blood/eligibility/) (<https://www.inovablood.org/donate-blood/eligibility/>).

If you are not eligible to donate, please consider **volunteering** at the registration table—even helping out for an hour would help! If you are considering donating for the first time, Inova has some helpful information [here](https://www.inovablood.org/donate-blood/prepare-for-your-donation/first-time-donors/) (<https://www.inovablood.org/donate-blood/prepare-for-your-donation/first-time-donors/>). Please contact Katherine with any questions or to express interest in volunteering. Thank you!!



26 days before the first delivery for the Pumpkin Patch!

CLERGY AND STAFF

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. Rector
 The Rev. Susan D. Parsons (sparsons@icoh.net) Associate Rector
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 Brad Ashton Stewardship and Planned Giving
 Mollie Lambert Outreach
 Kathy Lloyd Senior Ministry
 Brooke Roberts Communications
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 Bob Murray Worship
 Julie Bruns Pastoral Care
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 The Rev. Sam Sheridan Register (nonvoting member)

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 The Rev. John R. Smucker
 The Rev. Dr. Francis H. Wade

RECTOR EMERITA

The Rev. Dr. Margaret Ann (Sam) Faeth

SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel
 9:00 a.m. Joy Mass 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](#)

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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