

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes

October 2, 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, Danette (Dani) Gentile Kauffman, and Tom Hewson.

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, Ryan, Scott Allison, Joseph Fabian, Lydia, Breanné Barnes, John Corbett, Candy Morgan, Nancy Kraus, Jim Rehnke, Lisle Wade, and Felicia Balzano.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Christopher Becker, Francine Wargo, Ann MacNamara, Marc Paul, Brad Ashton, Natalie Doyle-Hennin, Scott Moore, Betsy Huffman, Caroline Johnson, Nancy Lyons, Heather Schnedl, Susan Montague, Noah Taylor, Barbara Carroll, Randy Kell, and Diana Walker.

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.

Blessing of the Animals: *TWO SERVICES*



TODAY, Sunday October 2nd, 1-2:30 p.m. at Zabriskie

Bring your cherished pets (if they can be nice with strangers), begin your pumpkin shopping, and enjoy the Blessing of the Animals! Feel free to bring a photo if your furry or scaly friend does not travel or play well with others. God's blessing can find them!

Wednesday, October 5th, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Zabriskie

On Wednesday, October 5, the 6:30 p.m. Eucharist will celebrate the **Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi** with a blessing of animals and reading and reflection about Francis, followed by a brief Eucharistic prayer. Time and

space will be made for those who use Wed Eucharists as a quiet and reflective space to keep that practice. But we'll also have a lot of quick fun for people who want to honor that their beloved pets are part of God's beautiful gifts in creation, and very much part of our families!

Announcements

Wednesday Evening Holy Eucharist, Wednesday, October 5th, 6:30 p.m.
Zabriskie Chapel

Book Study, Thursday, October 6th @ 10:30 a.m: "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](#)."

Evening Compline, Friday, October 7th, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL PUMPKIN PATCH 2022 WITH GOD'S GRACE AND YOURS!

Welcome to the **29th Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill Pumpkin Patch!** Our annual Pumpkin Patch ministry is one of the best ways we show our love for our neighbors—in Alexandria—and around the world.

Many thanks to all who donated soup, baked goods, crafts, and helped unload the first two trucks October 1! Two more trucks of pumpkins will be ready to unload Saturday morning, October 15th! If sales are brisk, we may have a fifth truck October 22nd. These pumpkins will also come in large boxes on pallets which will be removed from the trucks by a forklift. We'll need a lot of helpers to unpack the boxes October 15th -- please mark your calendars. And...Please... Keep making those delicious baked treats, sensational soups, and craft artistry that bring joy to our customers! Volunteers are the critical ingredient for the Patch to work! Sales hours are same as last year: 10 AM -6 PM Weekend/ Noon to 6 PM Weekday. It's still light when you're closing up! Please sign up for sales shifts during October—we need you! Heartfelt thanks to everyone who has already signed up to sell pumpkins and/or volunteered for a key Patch role (lining up our forklift operator, making/freezing soups, publicity, recycling Gaylord bins—many others)! The work of your hands and hearts directly supports our neighbors in need. Please sign up for sales shifts on-line using Pumpkin Patch 2022 Sign-Up Genius –it only takes a minute. Look for the orange Pumpkin Patch button in any weekly e-Blast or our Immanuel home page www.icoh.net Please [Sign Up Here](#) for sales shifts on-line using [Pumpkin Patch 2022 Sign-Up Genius](#) –it only takes a minute.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4EA9A823A4FC1-immanuel3>

CALLING ALL SINGERS !! The Immanuel Choir is inviting you to sing with us for a short-term choir commitment to sing **Faure's Requiem**. All voice parts are welcome!

We will present this accessible and beautiful choral work on Sunday, November 6 during the 10:30 worship service. This is a great way to try the choir out if you have ever thought of singing in the choir. Join us for 5 more rehearsals beginning Thursday, October 6 through Thursday, November 3 at 7:00 p.m. in the Zabriskie Chapel. For more information, contact Dr. Jane Tavernier, Director of Music, at jtavernier@icoh.net.

**DUST - World Premiere
October 13-16 at Virginia Theological Seminary**

Tickets are selling fast for the world premiere of the play *Dust*. Commissioned by VTS to observe the Seminary's historic bicentenary, *Dust* is a moving, funny, and powerful 200-year journey through the stories of those who lived our history. You are invited to join us on this journey. Tickets are available online, so look for the link in your weekly eBlast. You can also find this bulletin on our website under the *Worship/ Worship Service Bulletins* tabs at the top, then opening this Announcements and Parish Notes to click the blue text [Tickets for the Play DUST at VTS](#)

October schedule for Senior Adult Ministry and Fellowship:

October is time for OCTOBERFEST! So, drive on over to the Port City Brewing Company, located at 3950 Wheeler Avenue at 3:00pm on Thursday, October 20. We will be given a guided tour of the longest operating brewery in the DC Metro area and then adjourn to the patio to enjoy a "flight" (or order of samplings) of 6 different brews, accompanied by savory snacks. All for only \$20 per person! There are minimum and maximum numbers allowed on the tour, so you **MUST** reserve space for this event. RSVP to Karen Besser at 703-981-1237 or by email no later than Thursday, October 13.

Brown Bag Luncheon:

At our regular brown bag lunch on Tuesday, October 25, we will be watching a video recording of an event that was being held by the Episcopal Church's Office of Government Relations (OGR) whilst we were meeting live with the Poet Laureate last month! *A Closer Look with OGR: Religious Liberty & the Supreme Court* was a discussion about the impact of decisions made during the most recent term of the Supreme Court. The program was moderated by Mary Kostel, Chancellor to the Presiding Bishop The Most Reverend Michael Curry, and the presenter was Holly Hollman, General Counsel and Associate Executive Director, Baptist Joint Commission on Religious Liberty. The video is approximately 45 minutes and should provide fodder for some interesting discussion. Actual fodder in the form of dessert and beverages will be provided by Senior Adult Ministry and Fellowship but bring your own sandwich or salad. The luncheon starts at 12:15pm and we will begin screening the video at 12:30pm. There is no charge for this luncheon.

As always, if you need a ride to either of these events, please contact Karen Besser at karen.besser@gmail.com.

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RECTOR EMERITA

The Rev. Dr. Margaret Ann (Sam) Faeth

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
[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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