

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes

October 29, 2023

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: Brad Ashton, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Ann and Rollin Huntington, Frances Johnson, Joseph, Kenny, Ann MacNamara, Cynthia Morton, Linda and Cy Murphy, Tony Rogers, Catherine Sinclair, John Smucker, Norma Taliaferro, Betty Wanamaker, and Francine Wargo.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Alice, Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Dave and Betsy Fox Berry, David Craig, Justine Claypoole, Jean Couban, Cynthia, Steve Davis, Dana DeCecco, Joseph Fabian, Cathy Fick, Gerald, Linda Gill, Betty Harris, Betty Hicks, Louise Jackson, Peter and Joanne, John, Bogumil Knypinski, Katja, Tom Kellner, Charlotte Kellogg, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Winnie Kidd, Marcia MacDonald, Marge McGoff, Joe Miceli, Stephen Miller, McQuade Milligan, Candy Morgan, Mary Muniz, Lysbeth, Jessi Napolitano, Shelby Ochs Owen, Paul, Lilly Pinner, Sarah Pollach, Jennie Rae, Michael Rathsack, Rebecca, Jim Rehnke, Sue Rehnke, Larry Rhoades, Roger, George Rustigian, Tom Summers, Brian Tolson, Graham Tomlinson, Fred Vipperman, Mark Vipperman, Rosemary Wensing, Ryan Willis, and Richard Zitelli.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Emily Clausen, Lily Pinner, Sandhya Augustine, Tom Peabody, Huw Maltbie, Max Freeborn, Dorothy Kellogg, Kammy Hambrick, Ollie Patton, and Barbara Sheffer.

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

Those who have died: Victims of the Lewiston, ME shootings. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

ALL SAINTS' HOLY EUCHARISTS

**Wednesday, November 1st @ 6:30 p.m., Zabriskie Chapel
and Sunday, November 5th @ 8:00 and 9:00 a.m.; Zabriskie Chapel and 10:30 a.m., Immanuel Chapel**

Would you like to lift the name of a deceased friend or relative up in prayer on All Saints'? If so, please submit names of any loved ones lost from November 1, 2022 through this year by noon on Thursday, October 26th via email at dedications@icoh.net or by phone by calling (703) 370-6555, dialing extension "508", and leaving a detailed voicemail message on our Dedication Line.

All names — including those previously listed in this year's Sunday parish notes — will be in all bulletins November 1st and 5th, and in Immanuel's Book of Remembrance.

Announcements

WEEKDAY WORSHIP AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Morning Prayer, Tuesday, October 31st, Zabriskie Chapel

Wednesday Evening Eucharist November 1st @ 6:30 p.m., Zabriskie Chapel

Bible Study “*The Gospel of Matthew: Book of the Messiah*”, Thursday, November 2nd @10:30 a.m. online via Zoom. Look for login details in your weekly eBlast email.

Evening Compline, Friday, November 3rd, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

FINAL DAYS: Immanuel Outreach and the PUMPKIN PATCH’S 30TH YEAR



Pumpkin proceeds show our love and care for our neighbors – in 2022 alone we supported 14 local Alexandria charities, 5 regional, and 6 international charities. Since the year 2000, when we first started keeping detailed records, we have raised \$1,225,473 from the Pumpkin Patch, all of which has gone to Outreach.

We are nearing the end of the month and pumpkin sales are picking up — especially the soup sales! We have faith our wonderful bakers and soup makers and knitters will keep the Pumpkin Patch supplied with the tastes and feel of autumn – 100 % of food sales go to Outreach. **We can’t do this without you!**

Beginning *TODAY*: Immanuel’s Boy Scout Troop Holiday Sale

Immanuel’s BSA Troop 131 is selling holiday evergreen wreaths and decorations. This is one of the troop’s largest fundraisers. The troop uses proceeds from the wreath sale to support Scout activities, purchase Merit Badges and other patches for Scout uniforms, and provide scholarships to Scouts for events as needed.

If you are interested in purchasing holiday evergreens from the troop, there are two ways you can order:

1. You can order online through the friends and family website. Please include “**BSA131**” as your FUNDRAISER CODE when ordering! Items purchased through the friends and family website: <https://my.evergreenindustries.com/bsa131> will be delivered directly to the purchaser via mail.
2. You can purchase directly from Scouts at **coffee hour after all three services** on **October 29, November 5, and November 12**. Items purchased through the in-person, coffee hour sales will be available for pick up in the Zabriskie parking lot on December 3 between 9:00 AM and 12:00 PM.

Questions? Contact Francine Wargo directly at wargo12@yahoo.com. Thank you!

Do you have an hour a week to change a child’s life? The Alexandria Tutoring Consortium (ATC) needs volunteers to help K-2nd grade students learn to read, particularly at Douglas MacArthur (10:05 – 10:50 a.m.), Ferdinand Day (1:00 – 1:30 p.m. or 1:30 – 2:00 p.m.), and Patrick Henry (1:40 – 2:20 p.m.) schools. Tutors work one-on-one with students once or twice a week, October – May. ATC provides lots of training, weekly lesson materials, and ongoing, hands-on support. Kids love the one-on-one attention and you really will become “Book Buddies”! For more information contact kbailey@alexandriatutors.org or sign up here: <https://alexandriatutors.org/thinking-about-tutoring/>

*If you are seeking to deepen your spiritual life, Join the **BENEDICTINE COMMUNITY** via Zoom*

If you want more contemplation in your life, you are invited to become part of the Benedictine Community at Immanuel. **Join us November 1st** — we meet (virtually) twice a month on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 7-8 pm.

Our Benedictine Community gather as companions on the journey with one another while drawing wisdom from selected reading material and the ancient traditions and wisdom of Benedictine practice and prayer. As a community, we reflect on how the tenets of St. Benedict, such as humility, silence, and prayer, can guide us in practical ways in our spiritual lives and our day to day endeavors. Individual reflection is guided by short readings from a Benedictine-inspired book. We are currently reading Bonnie Thurston’s *Shaped by the End You Live For*. We focus on reflections sparked by having read a few pages from the book.

With half or more of our current members residing outside of the area, we use Zoom for our meetings; however, if you are not comfortable with the video aspects of Zoom, you can simply call us and participate by voice-only via the telephone. On rare occasions we host hybrid meetings using Zoom with simultaneous gathering in-person in the parish hall.

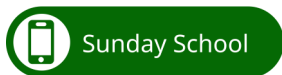
For more information, please contact Dana Hengst (dana.hengst@gmail.com), Barbara Fornoff (cr8vweaver@gmail.com) or David Atwood (David_Atwood@hotmail.com).

UPCOMING SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY AND FELLOWSHIP EVENT:

November 5— VIEW “NOW AND FOREVER” WINDOWS followed by CHORAL EVENSONG at WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL. Those of us who attended the Brown Bag Lunch in August had the opportunity to hear about the new stained-glass windows, which were installed and dedicated on September 23 in the national church. Now’s our chance to see those new windows, followed by a Choral Evensong at **the Washington National Cathedral**, on Sunday, November 5th.

We will leave the Zabriskie parking lot at 2:30 p.m., then proceed to the Cathedral via a stop at Goodwin House-Alexandria. That will give us plenty of time to see the windows before the service begins at 4pm. We plan to return to Zabriskie no later than 6:30 p.m.

If you have not been able to join a Senior Adult Ministry and Fellowship activity before — normally held on weekdays — this weekend daytrip will provide a perfect opportunity to take part in this fellowship ministry. The copy to ride in our van for this event is \$25. Please plan on joining us and RSVP to Karen Besser at karen.besser@gmail.com.



SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION HAS BEGUN!
ages 5-12, grades K-6

Our first day of Sunday School will be November 5th after the 9:00 a.m. Eucharist at Zabriskie Chapel. Please register your child using the Google Form in our weekly e-blast or on our website — look for the carousel of rotating images on the homepage and click on slide “[Immanuel Sunday School Registration](#)” pictured at right, or scan the QR code at left with your cell phone. We can't wait to begin!



EASY WAY TO SIGN UP: [NOVEMBER 2023](#)

Sign-up to Serve on Sundays



Lay Ministry
SignUp Genius

Sign up to Serve in our Sunday Services ONLINE via Our Red SignUp Genius Button

Would consider serving as a lay minister? If so, please sign up to serve as a Reader, Intercessor, Usher, Acolyte, Altar Guild, Crucifer and/or Chalice Bearer online via [SignUp Genius](#) for Immanuel by visiting the landing page

of our website at www.ICOH.net and clicking on the red button at left.

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 sparsons@icoh.net or indicate so in the comments box under your name on the online form. Thank you!

Forum Hour in Honor of Veteran's Day:

"GOD, FAITH AND COUNTRY"

Sunday November 12th, 10:00 a.m., Zabriskie Parish Hall

Join us for a special presentation on who veterans are, why they serve, and the critical role faith has in their motivation for action — and how best to show appreciation for their service. All are encouraged to attend.



MONTHLY SATURDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY [NOVEMBER 18th](#) @ 8:00 AM Held Online via Zoom: Join Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study on Saturday, October 21st, the THIRD Saturday of the month. We will meet via Zoom (find this bulletin on our website under the "Worship" tab, then click on the link below) beginning at 8 AM. Our theme this year is *Freedom*; this month we will read **Jeremiah 34:8-18** "*... the Lord says: You have not obeyed me; you have not proclaimed freedom to your own people*" 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

IMMANUEL'S SECOND ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE NOVEMBER 19TH—SIGN UP NOW!

We are partnering with Inova Hospital for the second time to host a blood drive on **Sunday, November 19, from noon to 4pm** in the Zabriskie parking lot. The link to sign up is now LIVE!! Please scan the QR code below to pick a time, or you can reach out to **Katherine Maas** at katherinemaas@gmail.com. Please express your interest by filling out your name, email, and phone number in this form, or by contacting Katherine Maas at katherinemaas@gmail.com.

Blood drives are a meaningful 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 [on Inova's site here](#) and [on the FDA's site here](#). 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](#). Please contact Katherine with any questions or to express interest in volunteering. Thank you!



SCAN to Schedule Donation




TODAY: EYC Guided Ghost Tour of Old Town

Sunday, October 29, 6 p.m. - for our 6th-12th graders

(No School for Alexandria City Schools on Monday, October 30)

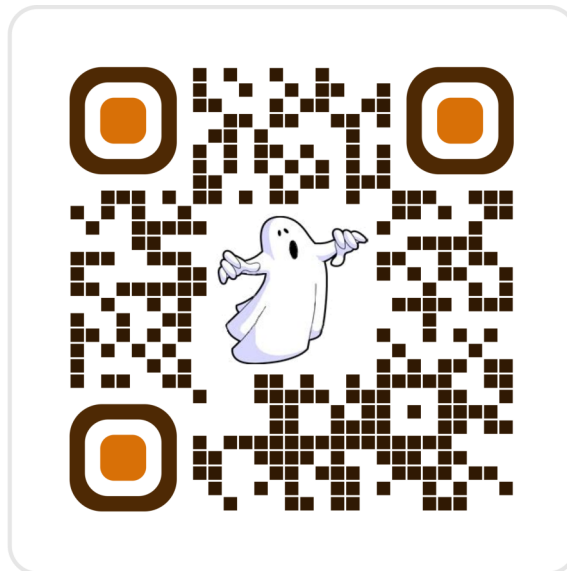
Join us tonight for a Guided Ghost Tour of Old Town Alexandria! The tour begins at 6:00 p.m. at Market Square -- where we'll meet up with youth groups from Christ Church, Grace, St. Paul's and Emmanuel Episcopal! The tour ends with our Episcopal Halloween Liturgy in the Christ Church Graveyard by 8:00 p.m.

 **DROP-OFF:** We'll meet at the bus-unloading zone on King Street in front of City Hall, 301 King Street. No pets please.

 **PICK-UP:** Christ Church Graveyard at 8 p.m.

Any questions? Email Rev. Sarah at sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net

Please **scan the QR code below to register online** or find this bulletin on our website under the "Worship" tab and [click the ghost graphic above](#).



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CALL FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS!

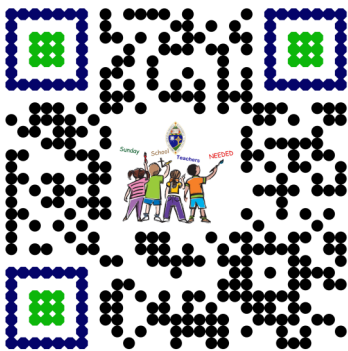
Join Immanuel's Christian Formation crew-teach Sunday School!

Our first season of **Sunday School** will run **November 5th - December 10th** during formation hour at **10 AM**.

**No Sunday School November 26*

The hope is that we would have enough volunteers so each instructor would be scheduled once a month to teach and once a month to support. Invite a friend to team up with you—simply complete the form online by scanning — and sharing — **the QR code below**, or find this bulletin on our website under the “Worship” tab and click on the [Volunteer for Sunday School](#) graphic below.

Any questions, please contact Rev. Sarah at sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net



Sunday School Volunteers



Volunteer for
**Children &
Family Ministry**
Sunday School

Just scroll to the bottom of the form.

CLERGY AND STAFF

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. (ralexander@icoh.net) Rector
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THE VESTRY

Kristi Kubista-Hovis Senior Warden
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 Peter Kent Junior Warden: Administration
 Amy Thomas Adult Formation and Discipleship
 Brad Ashton Stewardship and Planned Giving
 Mollie Lambert Outreach
 Kathy Lloyd Senior Ministry
 Kristi Kubista-Hovis and Kathy Lloyd Children Youth and Family Ministries
 Julie Bruns Pastoral Care
 David Atwood Social Justice
 Taylor Houck Communications
 Caroline Bergmark Evangelism and Newcomers
 Matt Haskin Worship
 Caroline Bergmark and Taylor Houck Fellowship
 Sydney Onley Youth Representative (nonvoting member)
 Caroline Bergmark Registrar

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

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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