

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL
Parish Notes
December 5, 2021

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, Betty Wanamaker, Bruce Morton, Catherine Sinclair, David Stayanoff, Diana Walker, Eloise Payne, Francine Wargo, Jessi MacLeod, John Bednar, Kathy Lloyd, Kenny, Linda and Cy Murphy, Lucy, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Susan Wiard, Tony, Ted Walker, Edith, Joseph, and Paul.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Alice Meyer, Arsine Oshagan, Charlotte Kellogg, Dana De Cecco, Dorothy Phanuef, Dotty Eisenhour, George Rustigian, Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Louise Jackson, Margaret and Lloyd Chenoweth, Marjean Smith, Mildred Alexander, Paul, Preston, Rowena and Don Lynch, Steve Davis, Steven Miller, Sue Rehnke, Ann Shelly, Sarah Minor, Tom Dollard, Jim McClane, and Sandy Ford.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Gerry Anderson, Preston Brown, Martha Manson, Lindsey Martin, Sarah Glassco, Marcia MacDonald, William Albritton, Jim Evans, Kate Groth, Joy McLaughlin, Ryan Rodriguez, Annie Goldsmith, Liam Kirby, Rhys Shallbetter, and Betty Wanamaker.

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: Air Force Second Lieutenant Anthony D. Wentz, Army Specialist Isaiah Nicholas Oneal, Army Sergeant Miles Jordan Tarron, and Naval Reserve Petty Officer First Class William E. Matthews; Police Officer Henry Laxson; and victims of Michigan's Oxford High School shooting: Madisyn Baldwin, Tate Myre, Justin Shilling, and Hana St. Juliana. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

CHRISTMAS TREES. The Episcopal Church of Saint Clement is once again holding its annual Christmas Tree Sale! Trees arrive fresh this week from North Carolina. Sale times are: Fridays 5-8 p.m, Saturdays 10 a.m - 6 p.m, Sundays 12-6 p.m. until sold out. Credit cards preferred. [1701 N. Quaker Lane, Alexandria](http://1701N.QuakerLane.Alexandria). The people of Saint Clement thank you for getting your tree from them!

Give to Benefit Christmas Families on Sunday, December 19th - At All THREE Eucharists

Human Services does not do physical Christmas gifts this year. So as last year, we will just send a large check (hoping for \$5,000 or more) to Human Services. We will also work with the refugee ministry coordinated by Christ Church to provide throws to cuddle with for 220 children. In addition, we will give two books to each of the 150 children in Child and Family Network Centers (CFNC) preschool classes, *Anno's Counting Book* and *500 Words* (500 Palabras), nice pictures with words in English and Spanish.

Announcements

Living Into Our Gratitude to God and Immanuel



We give thanks for all who have pledged financial support to Immanuel's ministry for 2022. Your generosity is a blessing.

God has fortified us individually and as a parish and calls us to give back from our abundance. We hope you will prayerfully consider Immanuel's important mission and ministry and make a financial commitment to God and God's work through Immanuel.

You can return your pledge card through the mail, place it in the offering plate, send an email to our treasurer thewson@icoh.net stating your pledge amount, or [pledge online](#).

As of December 2, 2021, we are blessed with 105 pledges representing \$575,005. Forty-eight have increased their pledge from the previous year. Eleven are new pledges.

We constantly praise God for your generosity, faithfulness, and commitment of time, talent, enthusiasm, and treasure to Immanuel and God's work through this parish.

*"Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your **God is with you wherever you go.**" Joshua 1:9*

You May Be Able to Double or Triple Your Gift to Immanuel

Many employers have matching gift programs that could double or triple the value of your donation to Immanuel. Check with your employer now to learn about their matching gift program and how to submit your matching gift request.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT SIGNUPS

It's that time of year again! This year's Christmas Pageant will be in person, live streamed, AND recorded for a YouTube premiere! It is Saturday **December 18th**, with rehearsal the week before, and two reading practices before that. Please sign up to participate as a teenager with a speaking role, a child with a part of the tableau role, OR a parent with a helping costume and organize role.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4daea928abf4c61-christmas>

Thursday Morning Bible Study: On the 9th and the 16th of December, we will pause from our reading of Hebrews to read the **beautiful birth narratives in the Gospels**. Last year we set aside just one day to read and inwardly digest them and found we had to rush through them. Please join us in our journey through the Bible. No need to know the Bible or even to have read it, we are joyously exploring and discovering together. We meet Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to noon, by Zoom.

To log-in on your computer: 1. Visit our website www.icoh.net, at the top menu select "Worship", then "Worship Service Bulletin" from the pull-down menu., 2. Click on this bulletin, then click the blue text: **Thursday Morning Bible Study via Zoom NOW**, 3. Enter **Meeting ID: 825 5204 5029**, then Password: **312018**. For more information, contact one of the clergy.

COMPLINE Service on Fridays: Join us for this **Friday Compline December 10th at 8:30p.m.** via Zoom. Compline is an offering of late evening prayer, sometimes referred to as the "Goodnight Prayer of the Church."

To participate, select this bulletin on our website under "Worship Service Bulletins" under the "Worship" tab, click the link: **Join Friday Night Compline Service**, and enter the following: Meeting ID: **817 3973 7116**, Password: **029619**. To join the service by phone, dial: 1- (301) 715-8592.

Enjoy special readings and selections from The Immanuel Choir for

Advent Lessons and Carols

NEXT SUNDAY, December 12th @ 10:30 a.m., Immanuel Chapel

SCHEDULE FOR THE REMAINDER OF ADVENT AND CHRISTMASTIDE

2021

December 18	6:00 p.m.	Christmas Pageant with Holy Eucharist Rite II	Immanuel Chapel
December 19	8:00 a.m.	Fourth Sunday of Advent, Holy Eucharist Rite I	Zabriskie Chapel
	10:30 a.m.	Fourth Sunday of Advent, Holy Eucharist Rite II	Immanuel Chapel
	1:00 p.m.	Fourth Sunday of Advent, Holy Eucharist Rite II	Zabriskie Parish Hall
December 24	5:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Festive Holy Eucharist II	Immanuel Chapel
	9:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Festive Holy Eucharist II	Immanuel Chapel
December 25	11:00 a.m.	Christmas Day Holy Eucharist	Zabriskie Chapel
December 26	9:00 a.m.	First Sunday After Christmas, Holy Eucharist Rite II	Zabriskie Chapel

2022

January 2	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I	Zabriskie Chapel
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Immanuel Chapel
	1:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Zabriskie Parish Hall

CLERGY AND STAFF

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. (ralexander@icoh.net)	Rector
The Rev. Susan D. Parsons (sparsons@icoh.net)	Associate Rector
The Rev. Sam Sheridan (ssheridan@icoh.net)	Assistant Rector
Dr. Jane Tavernier (jtavernier@icoh.net)	Director of Music
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Gilma Balcarcel	Nursery Coordinator
John Bednar (jbednar@icoh.net)	Information Technology Specialist
Stuart Dahlinger	Sexton

THE VESTRY

Kathryn Haskin	Senior Warden, Co-steward: Social Justice
Martha Shimkin	Junior Warden: Administration
Darrell Wilson	Junior Warden: Buildings and Grounds
David Atwood	Adult Formation and Discipleship, Co-steward: Social Justice
Harrison Clark	Co-steward: Children, Youth, and Family Ministries
Danette “Dani” Gentile Kauffman	Stewardship and Planned Giving
Kristi Kubista-Hovis	Outreach, and Co-steward: Children, Youth, and Family Ministries
Brooke Roberts	Communications
Phyllis Sims	Fellowship, Senior Ministry
Francine Wargo	Worship
Shawn Whitman	Pastoral Care
Rachel Wilson	Youth Representative (nonvoting member)
Candy Levin	Register (nonvoting member)

SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel
3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

10:30a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Immanuel Chapel
3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

1:00p.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II
Zabriskie Chapel Parish Hall

Online

www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org
[Immanuel's YouTube channel](#)

PRIEST ASSOCIATES

The Rev. Dr. J. Barney Hawkins, IV
The Rev. Dr. Ruthanna Hooke
The Rev. Jan A. Maas
The Rev. John R. Smucker
The Rev. Canon Rosemari G. Sullivan
The Rev. Dr. Francis H. Wade

SATURDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

5:30pm, Immanuel Chapel on the following dates:
December 18 - Christmas Pageant

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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