

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL
Parish Notes
March 21, 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 currently worships virtually online, hoping to soon resume in-person services in two locations: the Zabriskie Chapel (3606 Seminary Road), and Immanuel Chapel (3737 Seminary Road) on the seminary grounds. Both locations will offer 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.

PASTORAL CARE CORNER: Please remember these parishioners in your prayers: Nancy Wise, Mike Walker, Lucy, Ted Walker, Catherine Sinclair, Aggie Fortune, Natalie Doyle-Hennin, Ann MacNamara, Tony, Mary Bruce Corkern, Dick Hobson, and Bill Dols.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Marianne Ingold, Michael Pawlukiewicz, Jahi Stockton, Leilani Allwine, sarah Friday, Debbie Peetz, Peter Phillips, Nicky Vassev, Isabella Vasseva, Janice Corbett, Wendy Hoge, Mary Jane Ruhl, Eleanor Whitaker, Page Fox, Bethany O'Donnell, Jackson O'Donnell, Ints Silins, Bobbie Thomas, Zachary Eisenhour, Terri LaGoe, Miles Malone, Christine Michaelis, and Zachary Thompson.

Please also remember in your prayers members of our extended Parish family: Charlotte Kellogg; Anthony Christino, Jr., Paul, Dorothy Phaneuf, Linda Patton, Anne Newcomb, Sydney Bailey, Narciso, Sheri, Karen and Gwen, Lelah Ann Young, Caroline, Bert Ifill, Jeanette Beckmann, Lois Blair, Amy Wallens Green, Kelly, Cameron Pattisall, Ellen Repsher, Stephen Miller, Jill, Jack Allen, Molly Grey, Kathryn Anschutz, Thomas "Neil" Walters, Luciane Helena Borges Moreira, David Westgate, Doug Carmichael, Carol Sands, George Morris, Sandy, Jakey Newcomer, Julia Dietschak, Preston Atwood, John Matthewson, Ronald King, Marta Dimetre, Mary Lou Johnston, Katie McGinn Centola, Margaret and Lloyd Chenoweth, Bill Anderson, Bob Dickson, Mildred Alexander, Dotty, Susan Thomas, Steve Davis, Natalie Terwillinger, Cecile Zitelli, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Alice Greenhall, Nancy, Edith Mead, Stephen, Louise Jackson, Charles Thurber, Arsine Oshagan, Emilie Brown, Sue Cleveland, David Johnson, Victoria Markin, Martin Stevens, Jeff Gorman, Jill Lane, Suzanne Prendergast, Howard, Alice Meyer, Ron Simar, Matthew Simar, Connie Smith, Payton, Kevin Lancaster, Jennifer Ashline, Bill Ennis, Norma MacLean, Frank, Perry, John and Alycia, Sue Rehnke, Marjean Smith, Andy MacLeod, Deacon Linda Murphy, Ben Hoge, Don Gobble; Judith Simpson, and The Simpson Family, David Kuck, Adele Barker, Martha Robison, Karl Kadish, Tamara, Daniela Samillan Celis, and Joey Alphonso.

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 troops wounded as casualties of war, and their caregivers.

Those who have recently died: Helen Bryant, Miguel Benavides, Police Officers Gary Hibbs, Kevin Valencia, and Border Patrol Agent Alejandro Flores-Bañuelos. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

NOONDAY PRAYER WITH THE SAINTS Every Weekday : LIVE @ 12:00 p.m. via Facebook: Looking to deepen your Lenten engagement with prayer? Please join our new seminarian, Shawn Rutledge, each weekday at noon in Lent on Immanuel's public Facebook page. We will learn about the saint that the Church celebrates on that day, followed by a **An Order of Service for Noonday**, found in the Book of Common Prayer on page 103. You can also click download the bulletin from our website by visiting www.icoh.net and [clicking here](#) for the prayer service.



Announcements



**FORUM HOUR TODAY @ 11:45 a.m.
via Zoom**

ABUNDANCE, NEW LIFE, AND WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE? Join Mother Susan as she leads a meditation and conversation about how we have been living this forced fast of social distancing, masks, and gathering restrictions. What will it look like to regather? What will it feel like to return to something more like normal? How can we faithfully and joyfully turn towards what we feel compelled to do next?

To log-in on your computer: Visit our website www.icoh.net, at the top menu select "Worship", then "Worship Service Bulletin" from the pull-down menu. Click on this bulletin, then:

- click the blue text: [Join FORUM HOUR via Zoom NOW](#),
- enter Meeting ID: **853 9092 9796** , followed by the Password: **352917**.

To join by phone, dial: **1 (301) 715-8592**, then enter the meeting ID and password above using your telephone's keypad.

Sign Up for MAUNDY THURSDAY OVERNIGHT PRAYER VIGIL April 1st - 2nd , Zabriskie Chapel

"Could you not stay awake with me one hour?" - Matthew 26:40

Please join those from Immanuel and the community by giving one hour to create an unbroken prayer vigil before the Altar of Repose. This is a time when we reflect upon and remember our Lord's agony in the Garden of Gethsemane through the time of his arrest and trial before his crucifixion. This time could be used for prayer, reading Scripture, or quiet reflection.

The Vigil begins Maundy Thursday, April 1, following the Maundy Thursday worship service, at the Altar of Repose in Zabriskie Chapel, and continues until Friday, April 2 at noon, prior to the Good Friday worship service.

Please sign up by [clicking the blue text](#) while viewing this bulletin online to serve for one hour — only two people are permitted inside of the Chapel at the same time.





JOIN US THIS WEDNESDAY FOR EVENING PRAYER SERVICE: Please join us for the service of **Evening Prayer this Wednesday, March 17th at 6:30p.m.** via Zoom. Look for a zoom link in your weekly eblast, then join Mother Susan in the middle of the week, just when we need some restoration and renewal.

JOSHUA IN 3D: A Social Justice-Oriented Bible Book Study

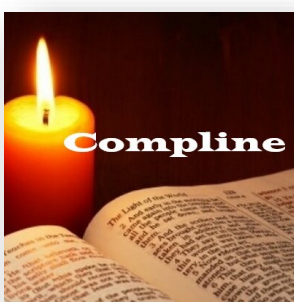


Join us this Wednesday at 7p.m. online via Zoom for a bible study of Chapters 22 and 23 of Joshua. We're discussing the book of Joshua and a variety of ways— including using L. Daniel Hawk's book "Joshua in 3D: A Commentary on Biblical Conquest and Manifest Destiny" — that biblical themes can help us parse through American history and values. We'll look at Chapters 20/21 of Joshua, and chapter 10 of Hawk's book Joshua in 3D. ([Excerpts from the book can be found here for anyone interested](#))

Look for the Zoom link and logon information in your weekly eblast email. Whether or not you've participated before, do join us: All are welcome!

BIBLE STUDY ON THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS: Join the clergy for Bible study this Thursday, **March 25th** at 10:30 a.m. via Zoom to study **St. Paul's Letters to the Corinthians**. This week, we will discuss the final chapter in **2 Corinthians, Chapter 1**. The link for this class will appear in our weekly email and on Immanuel's Facebook page. If you're interested in joining us for the first time — or the first time in a while — you're welcome to do so without any reading or preparing.

Join Father Sam on Saturdays at 10 a.m. for another Bible study via Zoom. No previous experience or attendance necessary, just bring your questions and your Bible -- or an online version of the Bible, such as [Bible Gateway here](#). Zoom call contact information will be sent out each Wednesday -- watch for your email!



COMPLINE Service on Fridays: Join us for this **Friday Compline March 26th** 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, click the link: [Join Friday Night Compline Service](#). Meeting ID: *Will be sent in next week's E-Blast/* Password: *Will be sent in next week's E-Blast.*

To join the service by phone, dial: 1-(301) 715-8592.

IMMANUEL'S CAREGIVERS AND GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Saturday, March 27 @ 10:00 AM



Join the Immanuel Caregivers and Grief Support Group, a support group for members and friends who are caring for ailing or elderly loved ones or grieving those who have died for its final meeting of the season this Saturday. The group is led by clergy or invited and trained leaders who make space for sharing experiences, offering prayerful and moral support, and sharing resources. We are looking for signs of new life and God's presence. If you wish to join, please contact Father Randy (ralexander@icoh.net) or Mother Susan (sparsons@icoh.net) for an invitation to join the Zoom-based gathering.

LENTEN CREATION CARE CALENDAR : Interfaith Power and Light, an organization supported by Immanuel's Outreach Committee, has compiled a list of ideas for becoming better stewards of God's creation as a Lenten practice. You can pick-up a print copy of the calendar on the table outside of the parish office; or visit our website, click the link to this bulleting under the "Worship" tab at top, then click the blue text [Lenten Creation Care Calendar](#) to download.



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& Light**

THE WAY OF THE CROSS: Free Video and Reflection Guide



The devotion known as The Way of the Cross is an adaptation of a custom widely observed by pilgrims to Jerusalem: the offering of prayer at a series of places in that city traditionally associated with our Lord's passion and death. This practice is also known as Stations of the Cross.

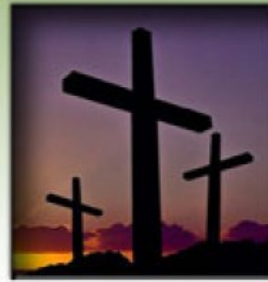
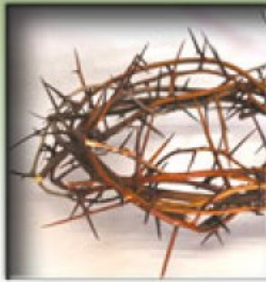
The Department of Lifelong Learning at Virginia Theological Seminary is pleased to offer a video version of [The Way of the Cross](#) and a reflection guide in both English and Spanish. Through scripture, art, and music, the video invites us to walk with Christians of every generation on a virtual pilgrimage, meditating on our Lord's passion and death. Permission is granted for unlimited use of this video, so click on the blue text or image to visit this presentation online, or enter this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d7N6dqNV3Wk>

Here's the link to the [reflection guide](#): <https://buildfaith.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/The-Way-of-the-Cross-Discussion-Guide.pdf>

The liturgy for this devotional multimedia experience comes from the Book of Occasional Services. The artwork is Margaret Adams Parker's Stations of the Cross Paintings (2019), and the music is composed by Marty Wheeler Burnett (©2020 St. James Music Press).



Holy Week Schedule



Palm Sunday, March 28

10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist Received Spiritually

12 noon, *Sing Hosanna with Immanuel*

All are invited to bring your pod (and pod friends!), collect your palms at the Zabriskie half circle, and then stay for a socially distanced time of fellowship, music, and storytelling outdoors in the Zabriskie Chapel gardens (weather permitting)

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 1

7:00 p.m., Maundy Thursday Liturgy, Zabriskie Chapel

Broadcast on Immanuel's YouTube channel

Thursday - Friday All-night Vigil

Altar of Repose, Zabriskie Chapel

Begins after the Maundy Thursday service and lasts until noon on Friday.

Please sign up here to serve one hour (two people permitted at a time in the Chapel)

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2

Noon, Liturgy for Good Friday, Grove at VTS (weather permitting)

7:00 p.m., Stations of the Cross, VTS Chapel Memorial Garden (weather permitting)

7:00 p.m., video presentation of Stations of the Cross on Immanuel's YouTube channel for those who cannot attend the outdoor service

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 4

The Feast of the Resurrection

10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist outdoor worship at the Grove at VTS (weather permitting)

An Easter egg hunt follows the worship service, in the VTS Chapel Memorial Garden (weather permitting).

CLERGY AND STAFF

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Harrison Clark	Co-steward: Children, Youth, and Family Ministries
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ONLINE SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org

[Immanuel's YouTube channel](#)

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The Rev. Dr. J. Barney Hawkins, IV
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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 being active ministers in the various communities where we live and serve.

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