### IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL Parish Notes April 25, 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, and Dick Hobson.

**Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week:** Mary Ingold, Hunter Davies, Lisa Siegrist, Alexander Skubel, Douglas Coleman, Jeannie Cummins Eisenhour, Martha Shimkin, Lucas Thompson, Kian Macharia, Laura Good, Gordon Johnson, Mark Loach, Laura Sullivan, Alyssa Taylor, and Jessica Turner..

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, 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, Joey Alphonso, Victoria Dearborn, Phyllis Crawley, DeBora Wheeler, The Rev. Dr. M. Sam Faeth, BettyAnne Christino, and Stuart Dahlinger.

**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**: Prince Felix Kofi Amadi, brother of Paul Lartey; former U.S. Vice President The Honorable Walter F. Mondale; victims of Rock Hill, SC and Indianapolis FedEx facility shootings; Michael Fitzurka, Adam Toledo, Ma'Khia Bryant, and Police Officer David Parde. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.* 

Join us for a <u>Virtual Sunday Coffee Hour</u> immediately after today's 10:30 a.m. online service via Zoom. To log -in on your computer: Visit our website <u>www.icoh.net</u>, 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 Zoom Coffee Hour NOW.

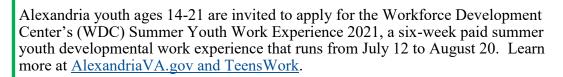
•enter Meeting ID: **853 9092 9796**, followed by the Password: **352917**.

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

VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR

# **Announcements**

# **Applications for Summer Youth Employment Program Open Through Tuesday, April 27**





Participants work 20 hours per week and are paid \$9.50 per hour. Applications close this Tuesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.



## Spring2ACTion THIS WEDNESDAY, April 28th!

For the 11th year, Spring2ACTion, Alexandria's day of giving, will take place. **This year, it is on April 28;** early giving began on April 14.

Alexandria's Giving Day Presented by ACT for Alexandria

As you can imagine, since March 2020, when the pandemic began, Alive! has been and continues to be very busy! A few highlights from the past year:

- 1.5 million pounds of food distributed (compared to normal yearly average of 350,000 pounds of food (about \$1,350,000 spent on food program)
- 1500 households supported with financial /rental assistance: \$309,000 or \$8000 per week
- more recently, launched the Alexandria Eviction Prevention Partnership with other partners: responded to over 400 calls in the first few weeks

We need your help to make the Alive! campaign a success. Please consider a donation to Alive for Spring2ACTion at <a href="Spring2ACTion.org/organizations/alive4alexandria">Spring2ACTion.org/organizations/alive4alexandria</a>. Thanks in advance for your support to help Alive! ensure that it's services reach those who most need help in the City of Alexandria.

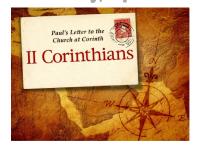
Lisa Clausen, Immanuel's representative to Alive!

## STOP THE RAIN!

Donating \$50 for <u>Spring2ACTion</u> will help a child attend Community Lodgings' Summer Enrichment Camp. Help us provide hope for families in need in Alexandria. For more information about our <u>Spring2Action</u> campaign, visit their fundraising page using the link in blue above.



# Thursday, April 29: Bible Study of St. Paul's Letters to the Corinthians @ 10:30 AM



The Thursday Bible Study with clergy is studying St. Paul's Letters to the Corinthians -- lessons in how applying the lens of the Gospel can help us navigate the problems of life.

All are welcome to share in this exploration -- no prior study or participation necessary! Just bring your Bible (or an online version such as <u>Bible Gateway here</u>).

**COMPLINE Service on Fridays**: Join us for this **Friday Compline April** 30<sup>th</sup> 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: <u>Join Friday Night Compline Service</u>. 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.



## SATURDAY, MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> @ 10:00 AM: OLD TESTAMENT BIBLE STUDY

Join Father Sam on Saturdays at 10 a.m. for a special Bible study via Zoom, currently focused on lesser-known prophets. 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**.

Malachi accuses Israel of selfishness after the exile and announces that the day of the Lord will purify Israel and prepare them for God's kingdom. The work of all our Old Testament is one unified story that tells us the truth about the human condition and sin while announcing God's promise to one day send a messenger and then show up personally. He will defeat evil and purify a faithful remnant, establish a New Jerusalem and bring peace, healing and justice forever. It's that promise that prompts God's people to denounce sin, remain faithful to His covenant and hope for the future. That purifying fire can be described as though it's frightening, it can be described as though it's harsh, it can even be described as though it's boring (for a medium length essay on Anglican views on Purgation, vis-a-vis the Articles of Religion in the Historical Documents section of the Prayer Book please email Fr Sam at <a href="mailto:ssheridan@icoh.net">ssheridan@icoh.net</a>)! But what do we really know about biblical views of purity or purifying? Who taught us this God of magnificent generosity, love, and grace somehow wasn't in, for instance, Malachi who definitely thinks God is filled with generosity, love, and grace?!

If you've never thought about or heard about Malachi, we hope you'll join us. (We're almost through the prophets and just a few months away from having seen the whole Old Testament!). If you need Zoom call contact information, find it in your weekly parish email, scheduled to be sent Wednesday April 28<sup>th</sup>.

# Immanuel's Caregivers and Grief Support Group

# **Saturday, May 1 @ 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 (<a href="mailto:ralexander@icoh.net">ralexander@icoh.net</a>) or Mother Susan (<a href="mailto:sparsons@icoh.net">sparsons@icoh.net</a>) for an invitation to join the Zoom-based gathering.

### **CLERGY AND STAFF**

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Harrison Clark
Danette "Dani" Gentile Kauffman
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### **ONLINE SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE**

www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org
Immanuel's YouTube channel

### PRIEST ASSOCIATES

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### RECTOR EMERATA

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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