

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes

March 3, 2024

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: Natalie Doyle Hennin, Rollin Huntington, Marianne Ingold, Johnson/Gildersleeve Family, Joseph, Kenny, Ann MacNamara, Cynthia Morton, Linda and Cy Murphy, Tony and Patsy Rogers, Catherine Sinclair, John Smucker, Norma Taliaferro, Francine Wargo, Zuzanna and Spencer Wise.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Dave and Betsy Fox Berry, Peter Blackledge, Jean Couban, Steve Davis, Dana DeCecco, Joseph Fabian, Gerald, Linda Gill, Betty Harris, Betty Hicks, Louise Jackson, Peter and Joanne, Charlotte Kellogg, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Winnie Kidd, Lillian Kozuma, Ann Langdon-Days, Lysbeth, Marge McGoff, Joe Miceli, Michael, Stephen Miller, McQuade Milligan, Mary Muniz, Carol Ording, Shelby Ochs Owen, Pamela, Paul, Lilly Pinner, Sarah Pollach, Jennie Rae, Sue Rehnke, Roger, Bridget Rice Rose, Shawn Rush, George Rustigian, Brother Efrain Sosu, Fred Vipperman, Mark Vipperman, Rosemary Wensing, Jean Williams, Ryan Willis, and Richard Zitelli.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Carson Clark Arp, Cecile Phillips, Hayden Arp, Kathy Conrad, Katja Shimkin, Thomas Cuddy, Carole Phillips, Sanjiv Augustine, Michelle Cook, Lily Hunt, Matt Haskin, Tony Rogers, Arthur Dawkins, and Rob Johnson.

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: Julia Elkin, close friend of Juliana Glassco. *Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her.*

A Living Relationship with God: Praying Day by Day, A Lenten Series

Forum Hour TODAY: 11:45 a.m., The Welcome Center
***Being Emotionally Honest in Prayer* led by The Rev. Martin L. Smith**



Known throughout the Episcopal Church as a writer, spiritual director, retreat leader, and teacher exploring contemporary spirituality, the Rev. Martin L. Smith is a retired priest of the Diocese of Washington. A native of northwest England, he trained as a theologian at Oxford University, receiving his BA and MA, ordained in the Diocese of St. Albans, and served three terms as Superior with the Society of St. John the Evangelist (the oldest religious order for men in the Anglican Communion) before leaving in 2002. That same year he joined the staff of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, DC.

A prolific author, he is widely-known for his books *Reconciliation*, *A Season for the Spirit: Readings for the Days of Lent*, *The Word is Very Near You*, *Love Set Free: Meditations of the Passion According to St. John*, *Compass and Stars*, and *Go in Peace: the Art of Hearing Confessions* (with Julian Gatta).

Announcements

WEEKDAY WORSHIP AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Morning Prayer, Tuesday March 5th, Zabriskie Chapel

Noonday Holy Eucharist Rite II, Wednesday, March 6th, Zabriskie Chapel

Bible Study “*The Gospel of Matthew: Book of the Messiah*”, Thursday, March 7th @10:30 a.m. online via Zoom. Look for login details in your weekly eBlast email.

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

Immanuel's Children's Chapel meets each Sunday, 10:00 --10:25a.m, in the Oratory at Immanuel Chapel! (The Oratory is a small chapel on the other end of the hallway—opposite the parlor/coffee hour). Our Children's Chapel is a 25-minute service rich with prayer, Bible stories, music, and reflections to teach our children about God's love. Grown-ups and siblings are also welcome!

ATTENTION GODLY PLAY FAMILIES: Godly Play has returned to Immanuel Chapel. We meet in the Octagon Room at 10:30 a.m. — right after the Children's Chapel program. When Godly Play is over the children will be escorted to the main service or to the nursery. We are making this change in response to attendance patterns and survey responses.

Your child is welcome to attend both Children's Chapel and Godly Play. Questions? Contact Sarah Glassco directly at glasscos@gmail.com

Thank you,
Godly Play Storytellers

TODAY: Confirmation Class and EYC. Don't forget to join us for a Confirmation class today from 4-5:30p.m. in the Fairchild Room, followed by EYC Youth Group Dinner and Meeting from 5:30-7:00p.m. in the Zabriskie parish hall.

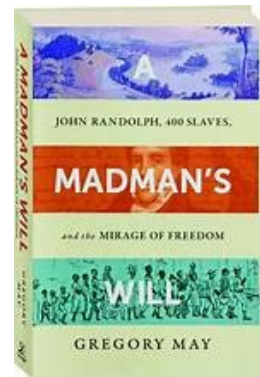
An Invitation to Silent Prayer: On March 6th, 13th, and 20th, the Parish and the Seminary will jointly offer an opportunity to discover the practice of silent prayer, on Wednesday evenings from 5:15- 6:00p.m. in the Oratory, Immanuel Chapel. All are welcome to participate.

BOOK TALK & RECEPTION

Saturday, March 9th 4:00-6:00 PM in the Parish Hall

The Alexandria Committee of the Virginia Society, National Society of the Colonial Dames of America, is hosting author Gregory May to speak on his recent historical book, *A Madman's Will, John Randolph, 400 Slaves and the Mirage of Freedom*. A Q&A will follow, and the author will sell and sign copies of his book. A light reception at 4 PM will precede Gregory May's talk.

The Dames are opening this event to the Immanuel church congregation, but seats are limited! Please email Liz Gamble at efwgamble@gmail.com if you would like to attend.



SAVE THE DATE: MARCH 10TH: VIEWING AND DISCUSSION OF THE PHILADELPHIA ELEVEN 6-9:00 P.M., ZABRISKIE Parish Hall: The Social Justice Ministry is sponsoring a viewing of the documentary film "The Philadelphia Eleven" on March 10th, from 6-9:00 p.m., in the Parish Hall. The documentary tells the story of the group of women and their supporters who organized their ordination to become the first women ordained Episcopal priests in 1974. More about the film is available here: <https://www.philadelphiaelevenfilm.com/>.

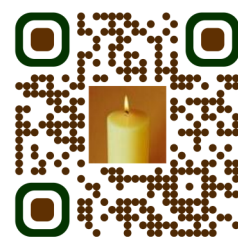
After the film, we will have a short program, which is being organized with the help of Deacon Lo Selles. Donations from attendees will help to offset the cost to the parish to show the film on site. Any questions, please contact Kathryn Jackson Haskin at kathryn.jackson41@gmail.com.

INQUIRERS' CLASS FORMING: Have you never been Confirmed? Are you interested in being Received into the Episcopal Church? Might you want to re-affirm your faith in a public way? All of these will be possible as Immanuel has its Bishop's visitation on Sunday, April 28th. Our youth confirmation class has just begun, and we are now gathering adults who would be interested in learning more about living the Christian faith within the Anglican tradition. Please contact Fr. Randy directly if you are interested: ralextander@icoh.net or 703.370.6555 ext.#201

MAUNDY THURSDAY OVERNIGHT VIGIL SIGNUP

Immediately following the end of our Maundy Thursday Holy Eucharist with Choir, Foot Washing, and Stripping of the Altar, we will keep watch during our Overnight Prayer Vigil at the **ALTAR OF REPOSE**, The Oratory (*Side Chapel*) at Immanuel Chapel.

We hope to have every single slot filled this year. We ask that you please scan the barcode at right to sign up for one or several slots, or [find this bulletin online and click the purple text](#) above. Thank you and God be with you during your watch.



Overnight Vigil Signup

MONTHLY SATURDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY MARCH 16th @ 8:00 AM Held Online via Zoom: Join Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study on Saturday, March 16th online via Zoom (find this bulletin on our website under the "Worship" tab, then click on the link below) beginning at 8 AM. Our new theme for 2024 is *Anxiety!* This month we will read **Hebrews 13:5b-9** *God himself has said: I shall not fail you or desert you...* 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

Parish Potluck and Candy Drive! Mark your calendars for an all-parish potluck dinner



When? **March 17th 5:30-7:00 p.m.**
Where? **Zabriskie Parish Hall**



Bring individually-wrapped candy to stuff eggs for our annual Easter Egg Hunt and your favorite family dish to share!

*An egg stuffing happy hour for adults will follow—do plan to stay!



SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY EVENTS

March 20: THIRD WEDNESDAY LUNCH AT GOODWIN HOUSE. Please join us for luncheon and conversation in the Fillmore Room at Goodwin House-Alexandria. We gather at noon on the third Wednesday of the month, which will be MARCH 20. Please RSVP to Rev. Susan if you are not a resident of Goodwin House and to Susan Kernan if you are a resident.

FOURTH TUESDAY BROWN BAG LUNCH CANCELLED: Given that the fourth Tuesday of this month falls on Holy Week, we have cancelled our brown bag lunch. See you next month, **April 23rd** at 12:15p.m. in the parish hall!

March 21: PRESSED FLOWER FRAME WORKSHOP. Please join us on **Thursday, March 21** from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the Parish Hall to make glass window hangings with beautiful pressed flowers. You may hang them in your home, give them as hostess gifts for Easter, or leave them to decorate the Parish Hall during the Easter season. They are fun and easy to make, and this activity is free, but you must reserve a space to ensure that enough supplies are available. RSVP to [Karen Besser](#) NO LATER THAN FRIDAY MARCH 15.



AV VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LENT AND EASTERTIDE

- ◆ We ask you to serve just one Sunday a month at the 10:30 a.m. Eucharist.
- ◆ Aged 15+
- ◆ Necessary skills include basic computer skills (knowledge of how to turn on and off computers) and a strong interest in learning.

If interested, please email Tamika Martin (tmartin@icoh.net), or visit the AV room to sign up.

EASY WAY TO SIGN UP: [MARCH-APRIL](#)

Sign up to Serve in our Sunday Services for ***March — through Lent and Easter*** — and April ONLINE via Our **Red SignUp Genius Button**

Sign-up to Serve on Sundays



Lay Ministry
SignUp Genius

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're a student — or planning Summer travel — feel free to sign-up for the Lenten season and Easter only.**

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 Mother Susan at sparsons@icoh.net or indicate so in the comments box under your name on the online form. **THANK YOU — especially to all who have signed-up!**

EASTER DEDICATIONS 2024



As Easter approaches, you are invited to dedicate Easter flowers or music for the Easter services. If you wish to remember a dearly departed loved one, or make a donation in thanksgiving for God's many blessings, please complete and send this form along with your check to the Parish Office or place it in the alms basin. We will print names in the Easter bulletins for all dedications received no later than noon on **Monday, March 25th**. Please print all names very clearly, or email to DEDICATIONS@ICOH.NET.

To make your dedications online, scan the QR code below — and check the **"I Paid Online"** box, or visit our website and click on **"Easter Flower and Music Dedications"** selection from the "GIVE" menu at the top right of the page; then click the green button. Any amount is welcome and appreciated.



EASTER FLOWERS: \$ _____

Given by: _____

Phone Number: () _____

In Thanksgiving for: _____

In Memory of: _____



EASTER MUSIC: \$ _____

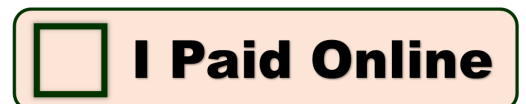
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 Julie Bruns Outreach
 Kathy Lloyd Children Youth and Family Ministries
 Mark Fearer Social Justice and Pastoral Care
 Brian Rush Evangelism and Newcomers
 Matt Haskin Worship
 Phillip Brown Fellowship
 Sophie Johnson, Sydney Onley, David Stayanoff, and Isabelle Young-Smith Youth Representatives
 Caroline Bergmark Registrar and Communications

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. 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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