



Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill
Episcopal/Anglican
Alexandria, Virginia



THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 13, 2022

Holy Eucharist Rite II, 10:30 a.m.

Page references are for [The Book of Common Prayer](#).

A professionally-staffed nursery is located in the south corner of the building (to the right as you face the organ); restrooms are located on either side of the double wooden doors.

Prelude: Trumpet Voluntary

William Boyce

Opening Hymn 680: “O God, our help in ages past” verses 1-3, and 6

St. Anne

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: ***And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

The Collect for Purity

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Hymn 417: “This is the feast of victory for our God”

Festival Canticle

from The Hymnal 1982

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.*

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The First Lesson: Malachi 4:1-2a

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Hymn 679: "Surely, it is God who saves me"

from The Hymnal 1982

Thomas Merton

The Epistle: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

The Holy Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke
People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

The Gospel of the Lord

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon: The Rev. Mark Jefferson, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of Homiletics
Virginia Theological Seminary

The Nicene Creed p. 358

The Prayers of the People: Form IV (*found in* The Book of Common Prayer) p. 388

Confession of Sin and Absolution p. 360

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Welcome

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem: “Dearest Lord Jesu”

Johann Sebastian Bach

THE IMMANUEL CHOIR

Dearest Lord Jesu, oh why dost Thou tarry?
Come now for I am of waiting so weary,
Come now and comfort my heart in despair;
Take me from misery, sorrow and care.

Chorus

Come now, Lord Jesu,
Oh why dost Thou tarry? oh why dost Thou tarry?
Come now for I am of waiting so weary, so weary.

Doxology: Hymn 380 (verse 3)

found in The Hymnal 1982

Old 100th

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: *We lift them to the Lord.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: *It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

The Breaking of the Bread

S 164 Agnus Dei (found in the front of The Hymnal 1982)

Franz Peter Schubert

Celebrant: The Gifts of God, for the People of God.

If you would only like to receive the consecrated Bread please extend one hand. Crossed hands indicate you would like to receive consecrated Wine as well, either intincted (dipped) by you or by drinking from the chalice. The glass chalice is for intinction and the silver one is for drinking. If you are physically unable to join the circle at the Altar, please let an usher know that you would like to have Communion brought to you.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Communion Anthem: "Tantum Ergo"

Marie-Joseph Alexandre Déodat de Sévécac

Felicity Amos, mezzo-soprano
Katie Carbone, soprano
Allan Gervacio, tenor
Daryl Ott, baritone

Tantum ergo sacramentum
veneremur cernui:
et antiquum documentum
novo cedat ritui.
Praestet fides supplementum
sensuum defectui.

*Let us venerate this great sacrament
with bowed heads:
let the ancient example give way
to a new rite.
Let faith make good
the insufficiency of our senses.*

Genitori Genitoque
laus et iubilatio,
salus, honor, virtus quoque
sit et benedictio.
Procedenti ab utroque
compar sit laudatio.
Amen.

*Praise and rejoicing,
safety and honor,
virtue and blessing
to the begetter and the begotten.
To him who comes from either
be there equal praise.
Amen.*

Communion Hymn 671: "Amazing grace! How sweet the sound"

New Britain

found in The Hymnal 1982

Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says
Let us pray.

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*Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

The Blessing

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Closing Hymn 371: "Thou, whose almighty word"

found in The Hymnal 1982

Moscow

The Dismissal

Clergy: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People: ***Thanks be to God.***

Postlude: Allegro

Johann Pachelbel

We are pleased to welcome as our guest preacher today the Rev. Dr. Mark Jefferson, Assistant Professor of Homiletics at Virginia Theological Seminary. A native of Hampton, VA, Dr. Jefferson holds a Ph.D in Religion focusing on Homiletics from Emory University. He also holds a Master of Divinity degree from the Candler School of Theology at Emory, where he concentrated his coursework in homiletics, completed a certificate in Black Church Studies, and served as President of the Black Student Caucus. He majored in Political Science and concentrated in Public Administration at Norfolk State University (NSU) in Norfolk, Virginia. Dr. Jefferson is attempting to preach 200 sermons locally, nationally, and internationally as part of the bicentenary celebration of VTS.



SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST: ***Crucifer:*** Grace Wensing
Readers: Hartley Hobson Wensing, Mollie Warner
Chalice Bearer: Karen Besser
Musicians: The Immanuel Choir; Dr. Jane Tavernier
Flower Guild: Kerry Kelly Wade
Ushers: Stuart Skubel, Teresa Skubel, Hartley Hobson Wensing, Kevin Wensing
Vestry Greeter/Counter: Brooke Roberts
AV Technicians: Doug Onley, The Rev. Jan A. Maas
Celebrant: The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes

November 13, 2022

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.

Visitors are encouraged to fill out a pew card — located in display stands at both entrances of the chapel — and give it 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: Cynthia Morton, Catherine Sinclair, Francine Wargo, Jessi MacLeod, Kenny, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Tony, Daphne, Leo, Nancy Bishop, Ann Huntington, Zuzanna Wise, Danette (Dani) Gentile Kauffman, Rita, Betty Wannamaker, Linda and Cy Murphy, Ken and Mia Mason, James Henry, and Louisa Smucker.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Charlotte Kellogg, Dana De Cecco, George Rustigian, Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Louise Jackson, Marjean Smith, Paul, Rowena and Don Lynch, Steve Davis, Stephen Miller, Sue Rehnke, Ann Shelly, Sarah Minor, Edith and Joseph, Ryan, John, Alexandra, Hans, Jessica, Joanne, McQuade Milligan, Reagan, Waide Egener, Betsy and Dave Berry, Peter and Joanne, Mary Muniz, the Rev. Rosa Harper, Jimmy Young, Ryan, Scott Allison, John Corbett, Joseph Fabian, Lydia, Breanné Barnes, Candy Morgan, Nancy Kraus, Jim Rehnke, Lisle Wade, Felicia Balzano, Roy Zartarian, Amanda Arnaud, Dr. Nancy Hardison, Denise Comoli, Connie Smith, and Nadine Vipperman.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Richard Gould, Mary Ann Ring, Charlotte West, Max Miller, Sandy Becker, Alexander Bruns, Morgan Doe, Michael Hussey, Kerry Kelly Wade, Doug Henry, Rebecca Wise, and Caitlyn Becker.

Serving around the world: Noah Barker, Ian Phillips, Todd Bates, Jason Osborne, Michael Hussey, and Jonathan, Nicole, Alina, and Nolan Anderson. Pray for healing for US casualties and their caregivers.

VETERANS DAY FORUM HOUR TODAY AT 12 NOON in Immanuel Chapel with US Army COL (ret)

Chaplain Charlie Reynolds: How did an Army chaplain use faith to help resolve conflict between opposing groups in Bosnia? Why would a Baptist chaplain work to get liquor stores open in Baghdad? Please join us on November 13th for a special Veteran's Day forum when we welcome COL (Ret) Chaplain Charles Reynolds, AKA "Chaplain Charlie". Chaplain Charlie Reynolds is a retired Army Chaplain having deployed to Iraq, Afghanistan, and Bosnia. He has written several books on faith and military service, and currently serves as the Endorser for the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. Charlie's long and distinguished military career gives him a unique perspective on faith, military chaplaincy and Veterans. Please join us for this very special Veteran's Day forum. (Livestream link: <https://vimeo.com/event/2566915>).

Announcements

Weekday Worship Opportunities

MORNING PRAYER @ 10 A.M., Zabriskie Chapel : All are invited to join Immanuel staff and clergy for Morning Prayer every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. in Zabriskie Chapel. This quiet, contemplative service typically lasts thirty minutes and offers each worshipper a chance to lift a person, cause, or concern in prayer while learning about any saints of the Church is commemorating.

Wednesday Evening Holy Eucharist, November 16th @ 6:30 p.m., Zabriskie Chapel

Evening Compline, Friday, November 18th, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom



Immanuel's 2023 Every Member Pledge campaign concludes on November 20th, with the receiving and blessing of all our pledges. **Pledge packets were mailed to parishioners' homes**, so watch for yours coming soon, if it hasn't already arrived.

Whether you are a cherished newcomer or one who brings years of valued experience to our parish community, we are grateful for **YOU!** We are stronger with everyone's engagement, generosity, faithfulness, and commitment of time, talent, and treasure to this parish community.

Benedictine Group Meetings THIS TUESDAY, November 15th @ 7:00 p.m., Parish Hall and Online via Zoom: If you want more contemplation in your life, you are invited to become part of the Benedictine Community at Immanuel. We currently meet virtually twice a month on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 7-8 p.m. The Community reflects on the tenets of St. Benedict such as humility, silence, and prayer. Individual reflection is guided by short readings from a Benedictine-inspired book; currently ***Benedictine Promises for Everyday People: Staying Put, Listening Well, Being Changed by God***, by Rachel Srubas. We use Zoom for our hybrid meetings, but if you are not comfortable meeting in person in the parish hall or with the video aspects of Zoom, you can simply call on the telephone and be connected to the Community by voice-only via Zoom. For more information, please contact one of the following: Dana Hengst (Dana.Hengst@gmail.com), Barbara Fornoff (cr8vweaver@gmail.com), or David Atwood (David_Atwood@hotmail.com).

Bible Study, Thursday, November 17th @ 10:30 a.m.
CONNECTING THE GREAT PROPHECIES OF DANIEL AND REVELATION

No prior participation is necessary; ALL are invited to join in the Bible study on Thursday mornings from 10:30 - noon by Zoom. Come and see! If viewing this on our website, please click the blue text "[Join Bible Study of the Book of Revelations and Daniel via Zoom](#)".



IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL HARVEST DINNER

Saturday, December 3, 2022, 6:00 p.m.
SCOTT LOUNGE and THE COFFIELD REFECTORY
Virginia Theological Seminary
3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

After a four-year hiatus, the Immanuel Harvest Dinner returns on Saturday, December 3, 2022! Please join Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill for a very special evening of grace and gratitude for God's blessings.

Immanuel's annual **HARVEST DINNER**, a family-friendly event, will begin at 6:00 p.m. with drinks and hors d'oeuvres in Scott Lounge, followed by a buffet dinner in the Coffield Refectory. Costs are \$36.00 per adult and \$12.00 per child between 5 and 11 years of age (children under 5 are free), up to a family maximum of \$84. The caterer needs your reservations **by 5:00 p.m. on November 21st**.

Making your reservations and payment is easy on the Immanuel website by following Harvest Dinner links on the Immanuel home page. You may also **RSVP by: (1) calling (703) 370-6555 and give the information listed below, (2) press the number 9** when prompted, **then (3) drop-off or mail your payment** to Immanuel's address on the front of this invitation. **Reservations must be received by November 21st**, as the caterer requires a firm number of attendees by 5:00 p.m. on this date.

Please note that scholarship assistance is available; simply contact the Rector, Father Randy, directly at ralexander@icoh.net.



HARVEST DINNER RESERVATION FORM

Please complete this form and leave at the parish office or slip into the mailbox at Zabriskie Chapel.

Names: _____

Number of Adults : _____

Number of Children between 5-11 yrs. _____

Total Payment: \$ _____

Date Received: _____

Saturday, November 19 @ 8:00 AM: Monthly Saturday Breakfast Bible Study by Zoom

Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study will be November 19, the third Saturday. We will meet via Zoom (link and info below) beginning at 8 AM. Our theme this year is Gratitude; this month we will read **James 2:1-8**, using the African Model of Reflection. For more information, please contact Chrissie Crosby at cmcfaddencrosby@gmail.com

Join Zoom Saturday Breakfast Bible Study Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/95954506553?pwd=Y05kOG1mK25abTZqUURvVk4wOTRBdz09>

Meeting ID: 959 5450 6553
Passcode: 027913

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY AND FELLOWSHIP

Wednesday 11-16 at noon **Goodwin House-Alexandria lunch**
Preparing for Advent
Please RSVP to the Rev. Susan Parsons

Friday 11-18 at 1:00 **Tour of Freedom House Museum**

We will carpool to the museum from the Zabriskie parking lot. The museum, located at 1315 Duke St., honors the lives and experiences of enslaved people and free Black people who lived in and were trafficked through Alexandria. We will tour for approximately 1.5 hours and then return to Zabriskie for snacks and conversation. There is no cost for this activity, but reservations are required. Call or email Karen Besser.

Tuesday 11-22 at 12:15pm **Brown Bag lunch at Zabriskie**
Preparing for Advent
No cost. No reservation required.

Saturday 12-10 (concert
is at 2:00pm) **Joy of Christmas concert by the
Cathedral Choral Society**

We will go by van to the Cathedral, leaving Zabriskie at 12:30pm, stopping at Goodwin House for pick up, and we will be returning via Goodwin House, arriving at Zabriskie no later than 5:30. Concert tickets are \$20 and there is a \$20 copay to ride on the bus. Reservations are required and there are only 14 tickets for this event. Call or email Karen Besser.

Tuesday 12-20 at noon **Festive lunch and carol sing with Dr. Jane Tavernier at the Parish Hall**
There is no cost for this activity, but reservations are required. Call or email Karen Besser

Wednesday 12-21 at noon **Goodwin House lunch and carol sing
with members of the Immanuel choir**

UPCOMING FORUM HOUR IN NOVEMBER:

★ **THE REV. RANDY ALEXANDER: “PUTTING THE SABBATH IN SABBATICAL”, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH, 12 NOON, IMMANUEL CHAPEL:** Learn about our rector's sabbatical journey of encounter, spiritual growth, and rest.

CHRISTMAS FAMILIES DATES

This Christmas we will bring again a bright ray of hope to many families. Christmas Families is back to pre-pandemic operation. The dates are very early this year:

Sun Nov. 20, Nov 27, Dec. 4: Sign-up to buy presents for a family

Sun Dec. 11 Ingathering and blessing of gifts, wrapping at forum hour, and special collection

Christmas Families takes a lot of work behind the scenes. Helpers are needed specially

Sat Dec. 10 Labeling gifts in Santa's workshop, preparing the Parish Hall

Sun Dec. 11, after the service at Immanuel Chapel and early afternoon: Loading the truck with gifts

Mon Dec. 12, unloading the truck at the Department of Community and Human Services.

Let Linda Serabian know if you can help. serabian@somaarchitects.com

Connie Kurz needs help with books, dates to be announced. cgkurz@aol.com

Helpers urgently needed for the William Fry Bicycle Ministry, let Linda know if you can help.



CHRISTMAS FAMILIES BIKE MINISTRY: An integral part of the Christmas Families program has always been the William Frye bicycle ministry. Good used bikes are collected and repaired, if necessary, to be given to the children that were referred to us through a program with the Alexandria Department of Community and Human Services. This ministry was started many, many years ago by our parishioner, the late Bill Frye. We have bikes that have been donated (with more to come) and we have a workshop where the bikes are stored and the work can be completed but we do not have someone to lead the program or enough team members to work on repairing the bikes (knowledgeable team members will teach you how). If this is something that you feel called to do, please contact Dagobert Soergel (ds@dsoergel.com), Linda Serabian (serabian@somaarchitects.com) or Dorothy Kellogg (djaskellogg@gmail.com)

A Note from the Treasurer: Current year pledge statements were recently sent to all pledgers. We are running a bit behind, year to date, in terms of pledge income compared to budget. Please check your pledge balances and bring any remaining balances up to date by year end. Thank you for your strong support of Immanuel and for your gratitude for God's blessings!

Ordination and Consecration of Our New Bishop, **THE REVEREND CANON E. MARK STEPHENSON**, Chief Consecrator The Most Reverend Michael Bruce Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate of the Episcopal Church, SATURDAY, DEC. 3, 2022 AT 11:00 AM, Arrive by 10:30 for seating. The Saint Paul's Baptist Church, 4247 Creighton Road, Henrico, VA. All members of the diocesan family are encouraged to join in this joyful celebration. Full event details are available here. There is no limit to how many people from a parish may attend, however, all attendees are required to register online at www.thediocese.net.

Receptions coming up to honor the Rev. Sam Sheridan

As announced, Assistant Rector Sam Sheridan will be leaving Immanuel to become Rector of St. Paul's Church in Petersburg, VA. His last Sunday with us will be December 4th. We will honor Fr. Sam at festive coffee hours after both the 8AM Eucharist — in the Parish Hall, and 10:30 AM Eucharist in the Parlor that day. Please do come and bid him a fond farewell, and Godspeed!

CLERGY AND STAFF

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. (ralexander@icoh.net)	Rector
The Rev. Susan D. Parsons (sparsons@icoh.net)	Associate Rector
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Shawn Whitman	Junior Warden: Building and Grounds, Creation Care Committees
David Atwood	Adult Formation and Discipleship, Social Justice
Brad Ashton	Stewardship and Planned Giving
Mollie Lambert	Outreach
Kathy Lloyd	Senior Ministry
Brooke Roberts	Communications
Phyllis Sims	Evangelism and New Members
Julie Bruns	Pastoral Care
Gabriella Young-Smith	Youth Representative (nonvoting member)
The Rev. Sam Sheridan	Register (nonvoting member)

SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

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

10:00 a.m. Children's Chapel, Side Oratory Chapel
inside of Immanuel Chapel

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
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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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