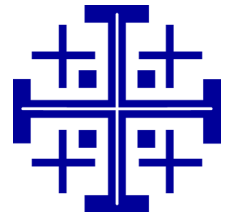




Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 30, 2023

Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 8:00 a.m.

Page numbers refer to [The Book of Common Prayer](#).

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

p. 323

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!***

The Collect for Purity

p. 323

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Kyrie eleison

p. 324

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People: ***And with thy spirit.***

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of thy people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calleth us each by name, and follow where he doth lead; who, with thee and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The First Lesson: Acts 2:42-47

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me*

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

The Epistle: 1 Peter 2:19-25

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

“He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

The Holy Gospel: John 10:1-10

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John
Response: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

Jesus said, “Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

The Gospel of the Lord
Response: *Praise be to thee, O Lord.*

The Sermon: The Rev. Susan D. Parsons

The Nicene Creed

p. 326

The Prayers of the People

Confession of Sin and Absolution

p. 331

The Peace

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

People: *And with thy spirit.*

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

Clergy: All things come of thee, O Lord; and of thine own, have we given thee. p. 343

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II

p. 340

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: *And with thy spirit.*
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: *We lift them up unto the Lord.*
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: *It is meet and right so to do.*

Sanctus and Benedictus

p. 334

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

The Lord's Prayer

p. 336

*Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.*

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us
People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *have mercy upon us.*
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *have mercy upon us.*
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *grant us thy peace.*

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 come to the Altar, please let an usher know that you would like to have Communion brought to you

Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

p. 339

*Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end.
Amen.*

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Clergy: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST:

Reader/Intercessor: Reneé O'Brien

Altar Guild: Diana Walker

Flower Guild: Linda Serabian

Usher: Linda Donahue

Celebrant: The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes

April 30, 2023

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 entrances of the chapels — 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: Nancy Bishop, Edith, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Ann and Rollin Huntington, Frances Johnson, Joseph, Kenny, Jessi MacLeod, Ann MacNamara, Cynthia Morton, Linda and Cy Murphy, Marcus Rarick, Tony Rogers, Catherine Sinclair, John and Louisa Smucker, Norma Taliaferro, Jane Tavernier, Tom, and Francine Wargo.

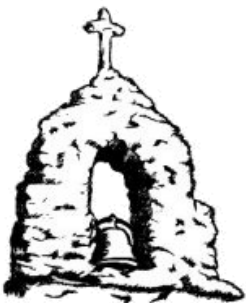
PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Felicia Balzano, Dave and Betsy Fox Berry, John and Alice Corbett, David Craig, Steve Davis, Betty Harris, Peter and Joanne, John, Charlotte Kellogg, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Stephen Miller, McQuade Milligan, Candy Morgan, Mary Muniz, Paul, Lilly Pinner, Sarah Pollach, Jennie Rae, Jim Rehnke, Sue Rehnke, George Rustigian, Ryan, Connie Smith, and Cecile Zitelli.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Kian Macharia, Laura Good, Gordon Johnson, Mark Loach, Laura Sullivan, Jessica Turner, Tom Harris Jr., Kristi Kubista-Hovis, Linda Serabian, Briggs Burkhalter, Madison Eaton, Mark Fearer, Marjorie Glassco, Chandley McDonald, Frank Martin, Benjamin Arp, Andy Biache, Jennifer Lansing, Alisa Pereira, Michael Konvalinka, Phoebe LaMountain, Thomas Wirth, and Anne Patton.

Serving around the world: Noah Barker, Ian Phillips, Todd Bates, Jason Osborne, Michael Hussey, and Jonathan, Nicole, Alina, and Nolan Anderson.

Forum Hour TODAY:

“Deepening Your Faith and Connections at Shrine Mont”



Shrine Mont

Join us for the Forum Hour **today at 11:45 a.m., Immanuel Chapel**, to hear from several parishioners about how their regular visits to Shrine Mont help to grow their faith and their connections to Immanuel.

Announcements

Weekday Worship Opportunities

MORNING PRAYER TUESDAY, MAY 2nd @ 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 the Church is commemorating.

Wednesday Evening Holy Eucharist May 3rd @6:30 p.m., Zabriskie Chapel

Online via Zoom: Our Weekly Bible Study Thursday, May 4th @ 10:30 a.m.

THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Evening Compline, Friday, May 5th, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

Benedictine Community Meeting, THIS TUESDAY, May 2nd @ 7:00 p.m. 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 twice a month virtually via Zoom on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, 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. On Tuesday, April 18 we started a new book *Shaped by the End You Live For: Thomas Merton's Monastic Spirituality* by Bonnie B. Thurston -- so this would be a great time to join or visit with us. As a Benedictine Community, we gather as companions on the journey with one another while drawing wisdom from a few pages from selected reading material.

If this opportunity appeals to you and 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).

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN OF THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA

All women are invited to attend the *Spring Meeting*, Saturday, May 20, 2023

Theme: "Be Not Afraid"

Led By the Rev. Sara Palmer, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Arlington, VA
Michelle Trampe, Central Justice Initiative

Held at Christ Episcopal Church / 8951 Courthouse Road, Spotsylvania, VA 22553

Registration and Breakfast begins at 9:00 am, Meeting starts at 10:00 am,
Lunch will be provided, please specify any dietary needs.

Registration: RSVP by Email to our ECW Treasurer, Kaaron Austin at ausink11@aol.com
Mail \$25 check payable to ECW for registration fee to Kaaron Austin/ 7319 Willson Rd, Henrico, VA 23231
Or send payment via Zelle to ausink11@aol.com / Your donations are always welcome!
Please **RSVP by May 13, 2023** so we know how many to expect for lunch!

CHOIR REHEARSAL Now Held on SUNDAY MORNINGS @ 9:15a.m.

New Day and Time: Ever wanted to try singing in Immanuel's Adult Choir? Now's the time to try!

Beginning **today, choir rehearsals are scheduled for 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. Sunday mornings, Choir Room, Immanuel Chapel.** Interested? Contact Dr Jane Tavernier at jtavernier@icoh.net.

SENIOR MINISTRY EVENTS

MAY 2 - BIKE OR RIDE TRIP TO THE BIRD HOUSE AT THE SMITHSONIAN NATIONAL ZOO . Join us on Tuesday, May 2, to experience the wonder of the zoo's brand-new Bird House! **The Bird House** and bird plateau, under construction for six years, reopened this Spring, transforming the 1928 Bird House into a first-of-its-kind immersion into the migration journeys of western hemisphere birds. It is located just off the Panda trail.

Our van will leave Zabriskie parking lot at 10:00am, stopping at Goodwin House-Alexandria. We will have time to wander the themed, walk-through aviaries and enjoy the interactive experiences. There will also be plenty of time to visit your own favorite zoo inhabitants. Afterwards, we'll enjoy lunch on our own at the Zoo, then head back to Goodwin House and Zabriskie, arriving no later than 2pm. There is no admission fee at the Zoo, but there will be a \$20 copay to ride in the van.

Want to enjoy a May day by biking to the Zoo? A contingent of Immanuel cyclists can leave Shirlington at 9:30am. The ride is approximately 11 miles, basically flat and all on cycling paths. Riders of all levels are encouraged to join and no one will be left behind. If you've wanted to try riding into DC but didn't want to go on your own, this is a great way to start. Need a shorter option? Park at Gravelly Point where there is a Capital Bike share station and we will pick you up as we bike past.

Please RSVP to Karen Besser at Karen.Besser@gmail.com to reserve your seat on the van or inquire about the bike ride!

SCHEDULE CHANGE: MONTHLY SATURDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY **MAY 13th @ 8:00 AM Held Online via Zoom**

Join Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study on Saturday, April 15th, the **SECOND** Saturday of the month, instead of the third, We will meet 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 this year is ***Freedom***; this month we will read **Luke 4:16–22** "*He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives, sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free...*" 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

Father Suresh in Need of House for *One Week* for His Female Cousin, Future VTS Student

Father Suresh Shanthakumar, who served as a priest at Immanuel in 2019/2020, will return to VTS to complete his Doctorate in Ministry. His cousin will also be visiting the U.S. as she will attend the seminary in 2024. Would there be a parishioner who can open their home to Suresh's female cousin **for just 9 days**, June 15-23, 2023? Please contact Rosi Urbine at rosi.urbine@gmail.com who can give you more details.

Thank you so much. We are trying to move on this quickly to secure housing.

Best to all,

Rosi

Coming Soon - Parish Weekend at Shrine Mont May 27-29th

We're just over a month away from Immanuel's annual weekend away at Shrine Mont. Email Kathryn Haskin at kathryn.jackson41@gmail.com to let her know if you are planning to come to Shrine Mont this year. No money down yet, but we're looking to get a sense of numbers to ensure we have space for everyone!

If you are new to Immanuel, Shrine Mont is an Episcopal retreat center in Orkney Springs, VA -- it's about a 2 1/2 hour drive from Alexandria. It holds the Cathedral Shrine of the Transfiguration, the outdoor Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia. Immanuelites go to the mountain for fellowship and rest, music and games, worship and reconnection. If you want to learn more — or need more information — call Kathryn Jackson Haskin.

PENTECOST SUNDAY: ONE SERVICE AT ZABRISKIE

The Feast of Pentecost, May 28, 2023
Holy Eucharist Rite II, 9:30 a.m., Zabriskie Chapel

NEW SCHEDULE FOR MAY-JULY 2023

Sign-up to Serve in our Sunday Services: ONLINE via Signup Genius



Would you like to serve as a lay minister? If so, you can now sign-up to serve as a Reader, Intercessor, Usher, Acolyte, Altar Guild, Crucifer and/or Chalice Bearer online via [Signup Genius](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E48A4A728A0FAC61-layministry) for Immanuel at the link at right: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E48A4A728A0FAC61-layministry>.

Agnes Soos is managing all lay ministry signups and, in addition to weekly Sunday Eucharists, she's actively recruiting for those who can read a foreign language for **Pentecost, May 28th**. If interested, please contact Agnes at the office on **Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.** (extension #205), or via email at asoos@icoh.net.

Finally, if you need training for a particular ministry, please send a request to sparsons@icoh.net or indicate so next to your name on the sheet. Thank you!

Garden Helpers Unite!

Spring is here and the gardens are growing wild. Early sprouting weeds are crowding in. We need your help to stay ahead of them! The abundant rains of March are over. April's weather has been dry and warm, so watering the trees and gardens is again a priority. This is also a beautiful time of year to spend working in the garden. Flowers are blooming, the birds are singing joyfully and the bees and butterflies are emerging.

Go to Sign Up Genius at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084BADAC29ABF49-2023> to reserve spots for watering and/or weeding in the garden. On Saturday, **May 6th** from **8:00 a.m. to noon(ish)** we will have a workday for weeding, watering, and general ground work. If you can't make it to the work session we will arrange to train you individually.

Thank you all,
Sarah Glassco (glasscos@gmail.com)
Kathryn Jackson Haskin (kathryn.jackson41@gmail.com)



WWW.SWIC.ORG

Our Church in Iraq

Our mission partner, Stand with Iraqi Christians (SWIC), will be hosting visitors from Iraq in Washington, DC from May 7–14. The Rev. Canon Faiz Basheer Jerjes is the priest of Saint George's Episcopal Church in Baghdad. He has been a leader in raising awareness of the threat of religious extremism and encouraging interfaith dialogue, reconciliation, and religious freedom. At Saint George's Church, Canon Faiz also hosts The School of the Redeemer, a K–6 elementary school serving an interfaith community in the heart of Baghdad. His assistant, Sinan Hanna Kakarash, supports SWIC's work of enabling Christian families to return to Iraq—following the devastation caused by ISIS—by managing the SWIC Small Business Redevelopment Grant Initiative.

Father Faiz and Sinan will be speaking at the Forum of the National Cathedral following the 11:30 a.m. service on Sunday, May 7th, and following the 10:30 a.m. service at Church of the Ascension and Saint Agnes on Sunday, May 14th. Parishioners from Immanuel Church are welcome to attend and learn more about our church in Iraq. For those not able to attend either of those services and forums, The Episcopal Church Office of Global Partnerships is offering a free Global Mission Networking call on May 17th from 2:00 to 3:00 pm Eastern Time. The link to attend is —

<https://tinyurl.com/StGeorgesBaghdad>

CLERGY AND STAFF

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. (ralexander@icoh.net)	..... Rector
The Rev. Susan D. Parsons (sparsons@icoh.net)	..... Associate Rector
Dr. Jane Tavernier (jtavernier@icoh.net)	..... Director of Music
The Rev. Deacon Janettarose Greene (JGreene@vts.edu)	..... Seminarian
Tom Hewson (thewson@icoh.net)	..... Treasurer
Sughra Bakhtiari (sbakhtiari@icoh.net)	..... Bookkeeper
Aleta Y. Powell (apowell@icoh.net)	..... Parish Administrator
Tamika Martin (photosbyt@icloud.com)	..... Audio Visual Technician
Gilma Balcarcel	..... Nursery Coordinator
Stuart Dahlinger	..... Sexton

THE VESTRY

Kristi Kubista-Hovis	..... Senior Warden
Gerry Anderson	..... Junior Warden: Building and Grounds, Creation Care
Peter Kent	..... Junior Warden: Administration
Amy Thomas	..... Adult Formation and Discipleship
Brad Ashton	..... Stewardship and Planned Giving
Mollie Lambert	..... Outreach
Kathy Lloyd	..... Senior Ministry
Kristi Kubista-Hovis and Kathy Lloyd	..... Children Youth and Family Ministries
Julie Bruns	..... Pastoral Care
David Atwood	..... Social Justice
Taylor Houck	..... Communications
Caroline Bergmark	..... Evangelism and Newcomers
Matt Haskin	..... Worship
Caroline Bergmark and Taylor Houck	..... Fellowship
Gabriella Young-Smith	..... Youth Representative (nonvoting member)
Caroline Bergmark	..... Registrar

SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

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

10:30 a.m. Godly Play, 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
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.

Parish Office

3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22304
Telephone: 703-370-6555, Fax: 703-370-0837

www.icoh.net

